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Jewish Gangsters Kill Four Britons

CASUALTIES HEAVY IN KASHMIR

Srinagar, Kashmir, Nov. 14.—An Indian military spokesman quoted unconfirmed reports today that 30,000 persons had been killed when the garrison of Rawala Kot, in Jammu state, withdrew before invaders from Pakistan. He said the Rawala Kot and Bugh town garrisons had fought from their positions close to the Jammu-Pakistan border to the city of Poonch, bringing refugees with them.

The spokesman said operations against the invaders had been extended to three districts in the south-east corner of Jammu and that the Royal Indian Air Force was standing "with very good results" and dropping supplies. He said the city of Jammu was not in danger, but that the situation in the Mirpur, Poonch and Riasi districts of Jammu were "grave".

RAIDERS PUSHED BACK

Indian troops pushed raiders who attacked from the Pakistan north-west frontier province farther westward in the Valley of Kashmir, the spokesman said. (Pakistan raiders invaded Kashmir after the Hindu Maharajah of the predominantly Moslem state acceded it to India.)

The spokesman said five isolated garrisons of Jammu state troops were holding out in the Mirpur, Poonch and Riasi districts, but that other garrisons either had retreated or been annihilated. He described the attacks in southeast Jammu as a feat to draw strength from the opposition to the main drive in the Valley of Kashmir.

The spokesman said Indian troops occupied Uri, 60 miles west of Srinagar, yesterday after raiders found raiders had left the town. The attackers were reported retreating toward the Pakistan north-west frontier, from which they entered the Valley of Kashmir and fought to within six miles of this capital.—Associated Press.

HURRICANE HITS DURBAN

Durban, Nov. 14.—Torrential rains inundated Durban today following a hurricane yesterday which battered the south coast of Natal, causing heavy damage.

The hurricane, described as the severest in Durban's history, uprooted trees and levelled buildings in the centre of the town but no casualties were reported.—Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

We Need A Public Library

LONG and short-term plans for Hongkong's development have been banded around for some time past with special reference to a modern airfield, town planning, a cross-harbour tunnel, decentralisation of the population and other imposing schemes. But not a word has been whispered about one of the Colony's most crying needs—a civil centre, where the community can study, develop and enjoy the arts—cultural, educational and social. It is not ignorance of the difficulty of finding a suitable site, or the present high building costs that encourages reference to this subject, but the consciousness of the growing demand for such a centre. Beyond the cinema, the radio and an occasional play at the China Fleet Club, Hongkong has nothing that will encourage people to spend their leisure time fruitfully. More misadventure, than anything else is a public library. The pre-war library was a poor specimen but it did endeavour to fulfil a purpose, however insufficiently. Today we have no public reading rooms and no lending libraries, despite the increased demand for reading material. Books are expensive to buy and are also in short supply. Outside of the Public Relations Office, (where the range of literature is limited) there is no reference library

Disastrous Fire

Providence, Rhode Island, Nov. 14.—Ambulances rushed dozens of injured to hospital as a fire swept through 30 bowling alleys forming one of the largest recreation centres in Providence. Police checks early today disclosed that first reports that between six and nine persons had died in the blaze were unfounded.

Between 400 and 500 people were crowded into the alleys when the fire broke out in a cafe, then swept through a ventilation shaft into the alleys, raced through the whole building and finally spread to and destroyed a two-storey property. Ambulances and police reserves were called out from all areas of the city and a cordon was thrown around the area while the roads were blocked to traffic.—Reuter.

Secret Jet Plane

London, Nov. 14.—Britain's secret jet propelled flying wing made a successful test flight on Thursday, the Ministry of Supply disclosed today, but it declined to give any details of the performance.

The plane, known as the E044, is a two-seater built by Armstrong Whitworth at Coventry where it was dismantled and moved in a lorry to a south coast experimental station for reassembly and testing.

"It should be regarded as a research aircraft which will provide a lot of useful information for our scientific research workers," the Ministry said.—Associated Press.

Ceylon's New Status

London, Nov. 14.—Ceylon, island of ivory, orchids, rubber and rice, formally changed its status today from a Crown Colony to that of a partner with full rights in the British Commonwealth of Nations.

Publication of a white paper disclosed the text of agreements between Britain and Ceylon, giving the latter full and unrestricted rights of self-administration. The agreement calls for the United Kingdom to base land, sea and air forces at Ceylon "as may be mutually agreed upon."

Britain agreed to train Ceylonese armed forces and promised to support any request by Ceylon for leadership in the United Nations.—Associated Press.

TERRORISTS TAKE REPRISALS

Feelings Run High

Jerusalem, Nov. 14.—Gunmen killed four Britons—two soldiers in Tel-Aviv and two policemen in Jerusalem—in Palestine today.

This brought the number of British casualties in two days of "reprisal" attacks to nine killed and 25 wounded. Yesterday, four oil company workers were ambushed and left dead in Haifa, a British policeman was shot dead in Jerusalem, and 28 troops were wounded in a grenade and tommygun attack on the Ritz Cafe, Jerusalem.

Today's attacks were made within a few hours of Sir Alexander Cadogan's announcement to the United Nations last night that the British authorities had been directed to plan for the evacuation of Palestine to be completed by August 1, 1948.

In Tel-Aviv, bands of Jewish gunmen today toured streets, ordering shopkeepers under threat of violence to close their premises during the funerals of the five Stern Gang members killed last Wednesday.

A Jewish illegal immigration ship, believed to be carrying 1,000 passengers, was nearing the Palestine coast today, according to reliable reports in Jerusalem. British naval units were expected to intercept the ship tonight or tomorrow.

FEELING RUNS HIGH

All British civilians in Jerusalem were advised tonight by the District Commissioner not to leave their fortified zones, and Britons living outside the barred areas were told to keep indoors.

Feeling among British troops and police was running high after the shooting by Stern Gang terrorists of two young British soldiers in Tel-Aviv and two British policemen in Jerusalem.

The Palestine authorities said today that they feared the Stern Gang might make still more attempts on British lives.

Four of the nine Britons killed in the past 48 hours by young gunmen of the Stern Gang—Palestine's most vicious terrorists—were civilians. Of the wounded, five were tonight reported to be dangerously ill.

All British officers and troops in Palestine have again been warned to walk in fours when off duty in Jerusalem.

A general "out of bounds" order has been placed on Jewish places of entertainment, but troops have been advised not to risk being ambushed in crowded cafes where their chance of escaping terrorist grenades are remote.

The police were tonight especially vigilant in Jerusalem for rooftop snipers armed with high-powered rifles.

Four explosions, followed by heavy automatic fire, rocked Jerusalem tonight.—Reuter.

WITHDRAWAL FORECAST

London, Nov. 14.—Usually well-informed quarters in London, said today that the evacuation of the British civilian administration in Palestine and the withdrawal of troops to limited "bridgeheads" in Palestine was planned to take place some months before July 1, 1948—the date on which the proposed Arab and Jewish States are scheduled to come into being.

The main issue still to be settled by the Partition Sub-Committee of the Palestine Committee of the United Nations General Assembly is whether the Soviet-American compromise plan for effecting partition depends on the provision that British troops remain responsible for law and order until May 1, 1948.

Sir Alexander Cadogan, who he told the Sub-Committee last night that British troops would not be responsible for carrying out partition and that the British Government had fixed August 1, 1948 for the final withdrawal, did not make completely clear whether British troops would be withdrawn from general control of Palestine before the proposed provisional governments were established.—Reuter.

Dalton At Palace

London, Nov. 14.—Mr Hugh Dalton was tonight received by King George VI upon his resignation.—Reuter.

SIAM WILL FULFIL RICE OBLIGATIONS

Bangkok, Nov. 14.—Siam's new government has accepted all foreign commitments, especially rice obligations, Luang Kovid Abhaiwong, told reporters tonight.

It would expedite the inquiry into the death of King Ananda—found shot in his palace in June last year—would reform government financing, would check corrupt practices and smuggling and would reduce the cost of living, he declared.

The Premier said that Marshal Pibul Songgram, leader of the forces which deposed the Siamese Government last Sunday, had written him a letter saying that he wished to retire as soon as he was assured that there would be no uprising.

Appealing for support for his government, the Premier said that it represented no particular political party and had "no favourites."

An understanding has been reached with the military authorities that people should be free to pursue their own affairs without interference.

Marshal Pibul Songgram would not interfere with the new administration, the Prime Minister said, adding that he had accepted office to avoid disorder.—Reuter.

Alleged Racial Discrimination

Flushing Meadows, Nov. 14.—In the United Nations Political Committee debate on the treatment of Indians in South Africa today, Mohamed Heyral Pasha, of Egypt, criticised the South African Government, saying: "The Union has no more right to permit racial discrimination than any free state today has the right to maintain slavery or tolerate narcotics traffic under the pretext that it is a matter within domestic jurisdiction."

Lo Shung Fun, Heyral Pasha added: "We fail to understand how any government can claim it is unable to amend those of its laws which are obviously contrary to the Charter of the United Nations on grounds that its parliament does not wish it to do so."

Supporting the Indian resolution calling for a round table conference between India, South Africa and Pakistan, he added: "We maintain that South Africa's parliament, having accepted all the principles of the Charter on the day it ratified the Charter and accepted membership for its country, is bound by such principles."—Reuter.

Planes Brought Out Of Storage

Washington, Nov. 14.—The United States Air Force, which announced on Monday that it had decided to withdraw from storage 250 Superfortresses, stated today that it was also bringing 400 fighters out of storage to bring its air defence up to "fully operational groups" by December 31 this year.—Reuter.

Explosion Kills Scientist At Secret Rocket Station

Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, Nov. 14.—Dr Johannes Schmidt, a leading German rocket scientist, was one of two persons killed in an explosion today at the Government's secret rocket propulsion experimental station at Westcott, near Aylesbury.

The other victim was an official of the station. Three others received serious injuries and nine were injured slightly, it was officially stated.

Dr Schmidt, who led a party of 12 German scientists assisting British technicians at Westcott—about 40 miles from London—was formerly in charge of a plant at Kiel where a rocket motor used in the Messerschmitt 163 and several new rocket weapons intended for anti-aircraft defence were developed.

The accident occurred during tests with a rocket motor, the Ministry of Supply stated.

No further details were officially disclosed, but one report said that the explosion took place while a rocket was being primed in a large-roofed building used for experiments.—Reuter.

MR CHURCHILL DEMANDS

INVESTIGATION OF

DALTON'S RESIGNATION

London, Nov. 14.—Mr Winston Churchill and other Opposition leaders demanded investigation of Chancellor of the Exchequer Hugh Dalton's unprecedented resignation over telling a newspaper reporter details of his crisis budget before he revealed it to the Commons.

Mr Churchill, in a letter to Mr Dalton, said he believed secrecy has been implicit in Mr Dalton's divulgence to the "Star" reporter, adding: "I feel it is necessary the incident should be the subject of an inquiry by a select committee. Such is the view of my Conservative colleagues and I know it also of the Liberal Party," he said.

Newspapers said they hope Mr Dalton would clear up the mystery in a statement to the Commons otherwise his resignation should be investigated. The Daily Express hinted that Mr Dalton's stepdown was engineered deal connected with the cabinet conflict over the crisis policy.

Mr Dalton has now revealed to the world that he gave this advanced information to our correspondent and to have felt impelled to inflict on himself the dire penalty of resignation from his high office.

"The Star joins his friends and his political opponents alike in expressing the hope that Mr Dalton's great talents will, before long, rebuild his distinguished career," Reuter.

Mr Dalton indicated in his letter of resignation that he would remain in the Commons but as a backbencher whose ambitions for the prime ministry were apparently abandoned.

Meanwhile the ordinary Briton feared more bad news about the living standard from Mr Dalton's successor, Sir Stafford Cripps who, as Minister of Economics, had almost complete control of the nation's economic life. His accession to Mr Dalton's job made it complete.

Transferring also anticipated drastic and early action on the part of Sir Stafford for more taxes to mop up surplus spending power. It was generally believed that Sir Stafford was at least partly responsible for forcing Mr Dalton to include the new taxes in his budget.—United Press.

NO BUDGET CHANGES

London, Nov. 14.—When the House of Commons met today, Members pressed for the appointment of an all-party Select Committee to inquire into Mr Dalton's budget leak, which led dramatically to his resignation late last night.

The Government is expected to give its answer to this demand either late tonight or on Monday.

The new Chancellor, Sir Stafford Cripps, is not expected to make serious alterations to Mr Dalton's budget. There is a belief in certain quarters that Sir Stafford's views on economic policy differ at many points from those of Mr Dalton, but this is unlikely to be reflected in any big way—by then—before his own first budget next April.

With Sir Stafford's assumption of the post of Chancellor, his title of Minister for Economic Affairs automatically disappears, but he will continue to act as chief economic co-ordinator for the Government, authoritative London quarters said.

This morning, the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison, announced to the House of Commons that Sir Stafford would take on the emergency budget where the former Chancellor left off.

Discussion of the budget will therefore proceed as if the incident had not occurred.

"STAR 'DEEPLY REGRETS'"
As Mr Morrison was speaking to the House of Commons, the London evening Star, which published the details of Britain's interim budget before Mr Dalton made his announcement and brought about his resignation, said in an editorial: "The Star deeply regrets that by the publication in this journal of an accurate forecast of some of the Chancellor's main budget proposals a few minutes in advance of its actual declaration, the personal tragedy of Mr Dalton's resignation has been brought about."

"The Star shares the widespread sympathy for Mr Dalton. The country has lost a minister of vision, with deep knowledge of economics, and the ability for courageous planning."

Korea Commission Approved

U.N. TO SUPERVISE INDEPENDENCE

Flushing Meadows, Nov. 14.—The United Nations General Assembly today approved the establishment of a United Nations Commission to supervise the granting of independence to Korea.

Russia, which had demanded the withdrawal of Russian and United States troops from Korea as a first step, boycotted the vote.

Russia's demand was in opposition to the United States-sponsored resolution overwhelmingly approved by the Political Committee establishing the Commission to supervise the granting of independence through various stages preparatory to the withdrawal of foreign troops.

The Assembly approved the establishment of this Commission by 43 votes to nil. There were six abstentions, which comprised the three Scandinavian countries and three Arab States.

The whole Soviet group of six refused to participate in the vote on the grounds that the resolution was "unjust and illegal."

DEMAND REJECTED

The Assembly rejected the Soviet demand for the withdrawal of American and Russian troops by January next year by 34 votes to seven. There were 16 abstentions on this vote with Egypt and the Soviet group voting in favour.

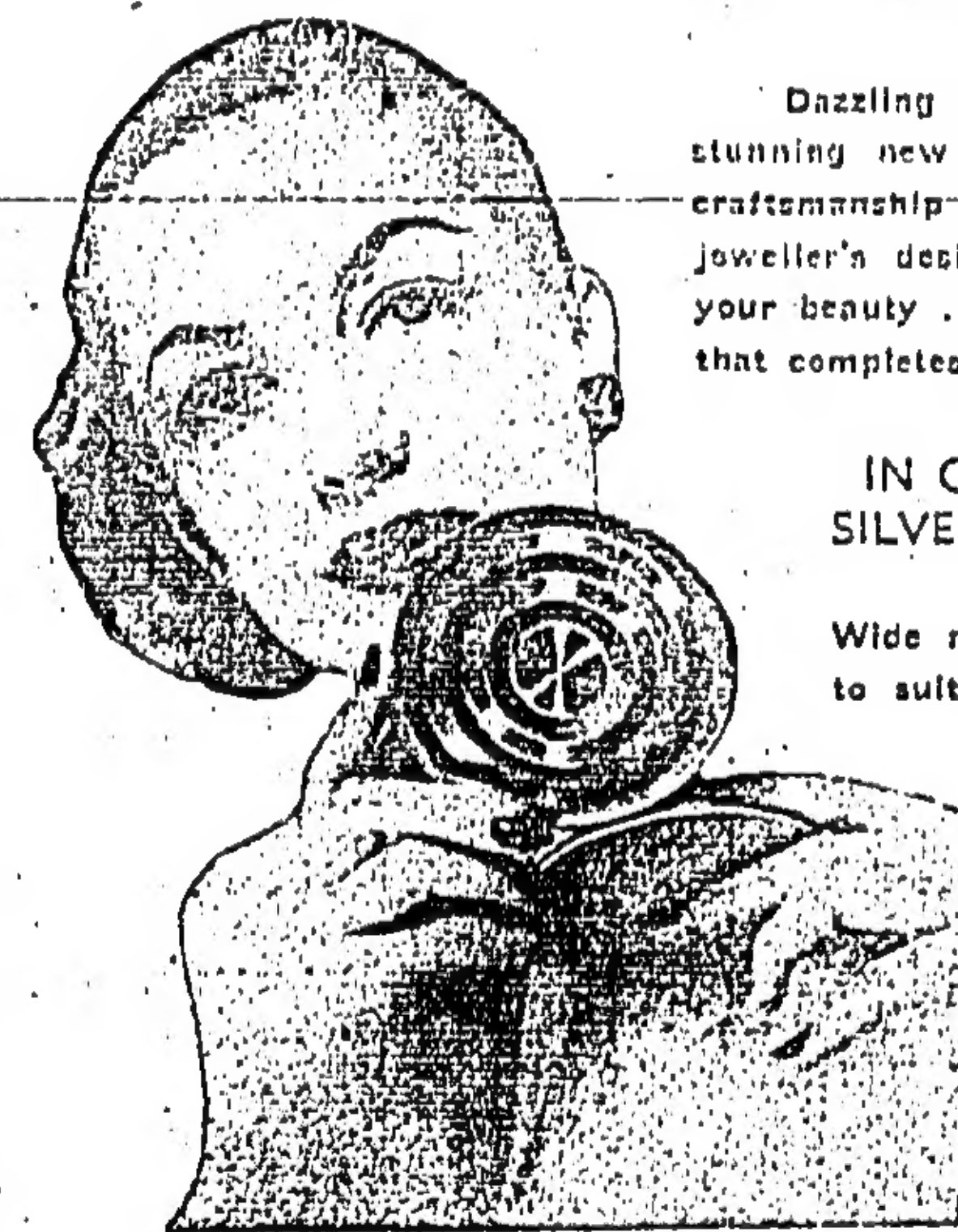
The resolution passed by the Assembly recommends that:

1.—Elections be held not later than March 31, 1948.

2.—The National Assembly be convened as soon as possible after its elections to form a National Government.

3.—The National Government constitute its own forces and dissolve all military formations not included therein.

4.—Arrangements be made by the National Government with the Russian and American occupying authorities for the complete withdrawal of their forces "as early as practicable and, if possible, within 80 days."—Reuter.



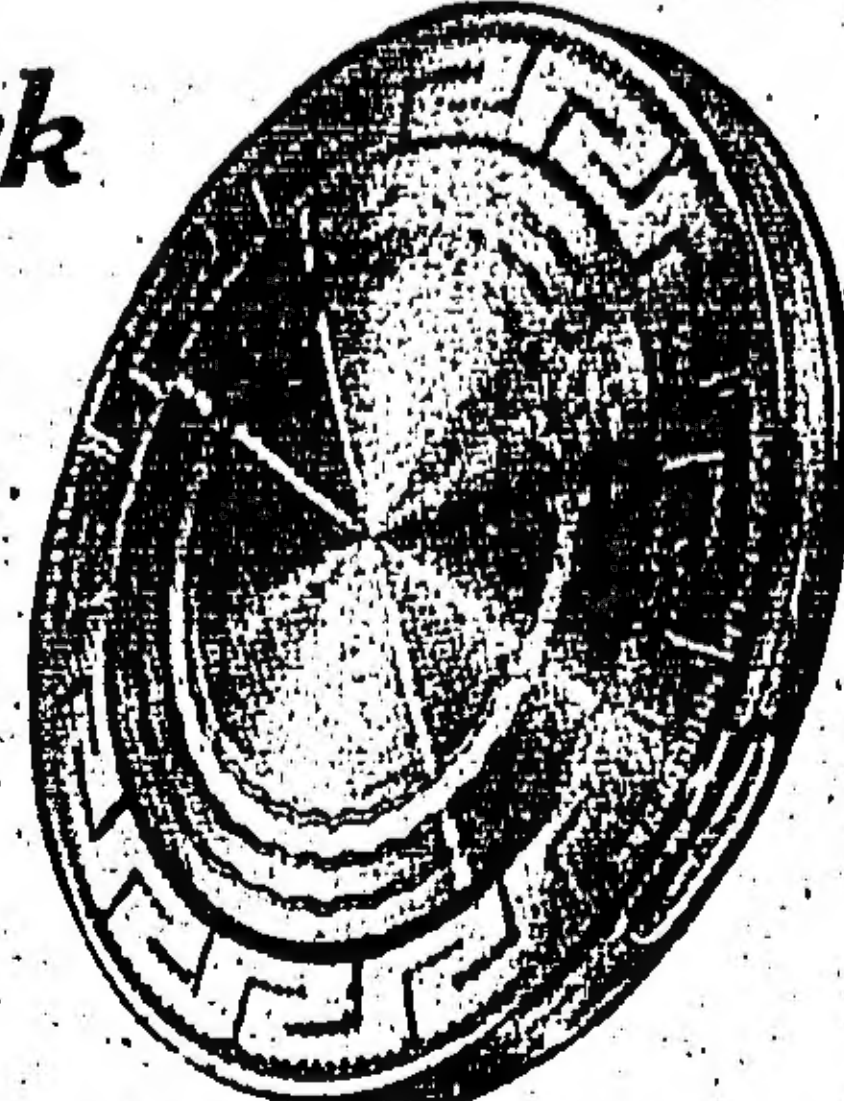
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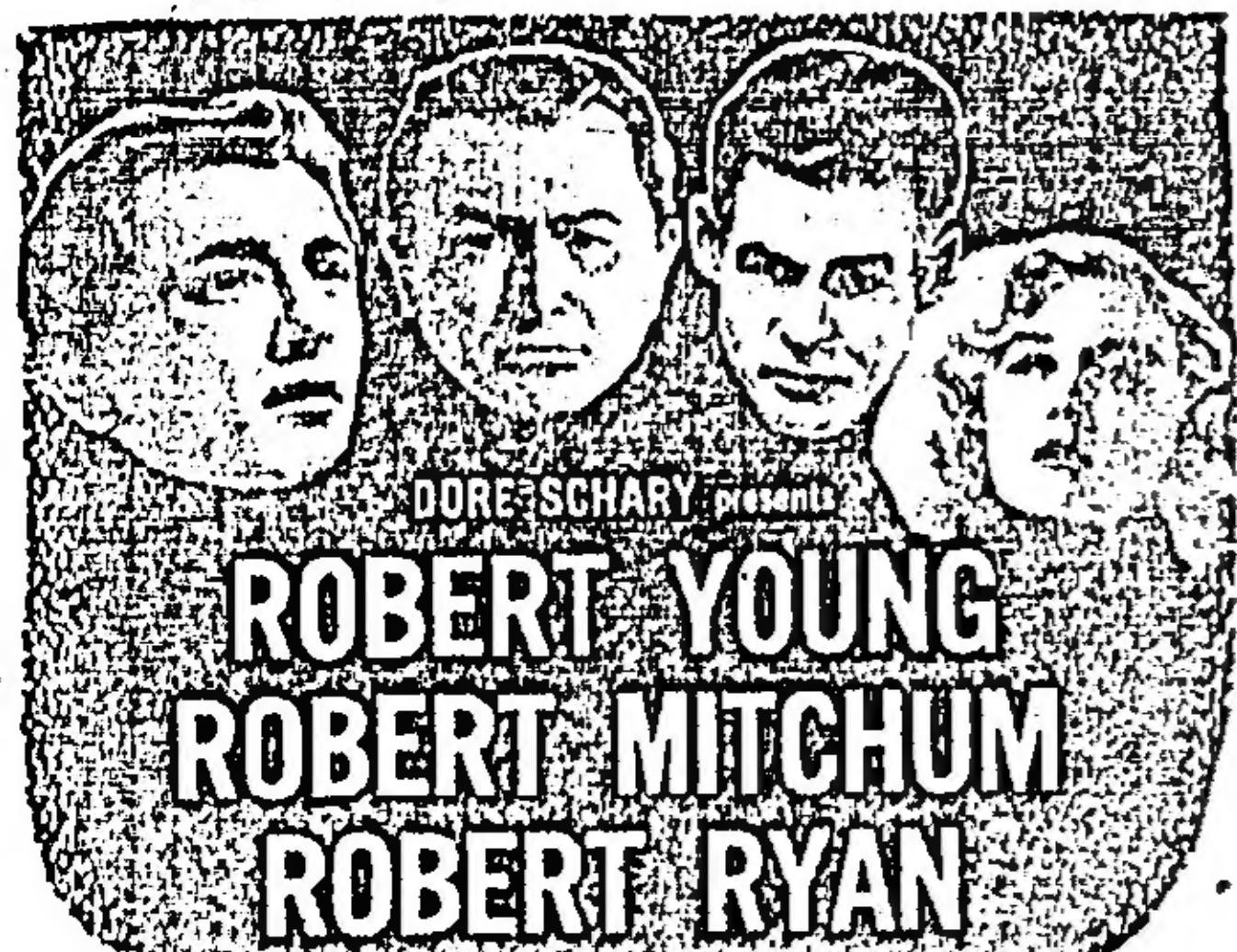
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SPOTLIGHT BY DAVID LEWIN

Lena Horne's 'Belief'



WHAT is it that puts Al Jolson way ahead of all the others who sing so nearly like him? What is it that put Sophie Tucker in a class of her own when there were hundreds of other torch-singers so nearly like her?

Into London at the end of October came a girl with a simple answer to these questions. Her name is LENA HORNE, 29-year-old coloured star who is now America's No. 1 blues-singer.

Her simple answer—the one word BELIEF—"I stand out there on the stage believing in the words I sing. . . . Stormy Weather. . . . Can't Help Loving That Man. . . . Honey, Honey. . . . I understand what the author was trying to get across when he wrote them. . . . and that's the only way to make the people out front believe in them too."

She smiled her brilliant smile. "Sometimes after five or six shows a day words cease to have any meaning. You get that blank feeling—and that's the time to pack up and go home."

For her two-week stay here Lena Horne has brought with her 24 evening gowns, 1,500 cigarettes "for her friends," a song called "Smoochie," and a new phrase "re-bop"—which is the current U.S. term for "impromptu live."

She brings to London more than this, though. As all people who have seen her films know, she brings a style of singing which is by no means to everyone's taste. It couldn't be—the way Miss Horne puts a song over! There is an "elemental" quality about her style, a primitive quality, a total absence of inhibition, the kind of confidence and self-assurance that pulls "the last drop" from a song.

Does this expose her to the danger of burlesque? Of course it does! But then so are The Ink Spots exposed to burlesque; so was Harry Richman, Jolson, Sophie Tucker. So are all the world top-liners among the torch-singers.

"You've got to ride over that danger," says Lena Horne, who has ridden over it so well so far that she is being paid £2,000 a week for her appearance at the London Casino.

It is about a quarter of what they pay her in New York.

Bill Powell Comeback

WILLIAM POWELL has been languishing at MGM for years, doing an occasional "Thin Man" film in order to keep himself before the customers' eyes.

Then he decided to break away, and moved to Warner's. This move has brought him luck and will mean a new wave of popularity.

He's finished "Life With Father," which will soon be released.

Now he's completing "The Senator Was Indiscreet."

In the first picture he plays the pompous Victorian father of a large family in New York.

In the second, he plays a still more pompous blow-hard senator, and gives a grand comedy performance.

In neither role is Bill afraid to show his years. He even adds to them with make-up.

A PUZZLE FOR A.D. 2447

It is sometimes possible to admire and deplore a film; and such a film is *The Beginning Or The End*, the story of the atom bomb, which is now showing at the King's.

The purpose is admirable. It is intended to stir people to a fresh realization of the terrible problems which arrived with the atom bomb. It seeks to achieve this by telling the story of the bomb's development, from the early, groping days in the laboratory to the final slaughter at Hiroshima.

And yet in a way the film is deplorable: because the people who made it, instead of rising to the magnitude of their theme, have draped it in all the banalities and sentimentalities which would normally enfold any pedestrian little heart-throb picture.

They have tried to groom the atom bomb into a film star, and so they have missed the opportunity of making a great film.

What have they made? A technically good picture, with plenty of comedy and synthetic romanticism,

some good character acting and a muffled echo of the detonation that really occurred when the atom was split.

The best passages are those showing the American industry turning its vast power to the secret manufacture of the bomb. Most people will be surprised by its revelation of the immensity of the task, epitomised when a scientist holds up a tiny crystal that is to be the bomb's explosive and says, "Millions of freight cars went into Oak Ridge—and this is the result."

Brian Donlevy, as the touch American general in charge of the project, acts well. So do Robert Walker, Tom Drake, Hume Cronyn, and others who appear as scientists and soldiers working under him. The defects are in the conception of the film, not its execution.

"The Beginning or the End" opens with a newsreel showing a copy of the film being buried in a "time capsule" which is not to be opened for 500 years. Posterity, if there is a posterity 500 years ahead, is going to have some trouble making up its mind about this film.

Henry V man is to make Alice in Wonderland

by ERIC BENNETT

ONE of the brightest back-room boys in the British film industry is leaving Britain to make an English film in France for an American company.

Which, in my opinion, is a queer way to treat a picture-genius at a time when our industry needs all the brains it can command.

The name of Dallas Bower may not be familiar to you. I used to meet him on a blacked-out train on a slow Essex

branch line muttering over a film script.

He was then an officer in the Signals Corps, with a vast technical experience of television and film work.

The script he was working on and eventually produced, in association with Laurence Olivier, in spite of tremendous opposition, was the big money-spinner "Henry V," which is expected to top a gross of £2,000,000 by the end of its American run in addition to the £250,000 odd it has made in Britain.

You would have thought that, after the colossal success of that show British film chiefs would have riveted Dallas Bower with a golden ball and chain.

But no. Last year Bower, with Massine, was working on tests for a film version of Berlioz's Faust.

Bower had developed a revolutionary technique for this picture, but in these tax-ridden times experiments are shelved.

Now he is to direct a coloured film of "Alice in Wonderland" for the skillful American puppeteer, Lou Dunin.

Alice and the human characters will be British artists, but all the animals will be three-dimensional puppets.

Production is in France, because French film studios are almost at a standstill owing to their limited profit margin and costs are considerably lower than in Britain.

Two Ps know their queues

THE Archers, as Mr Michael Powell and Mr Emeric Pressburger call themselves, have scored a bull's-eye in "Black Narcissus," which is coming next week to the King's.

They have produced a film of exceptional beauty—a film that, if you do not crave for a happy ending, you will find entirely satisfying.

It has an unusual story—and a most unusual atmosphere. It is beautifully photographed in technicolour, and it is exceedingly well acted.

Five nuns travel to a remote village in the Himalayas to open a school and hospital. They are housed in the Palace of Mopi, which was once a harem and about which there hangs, elusive as a perfume, a sinister air of decay. The nuns are uneasy. The nagging winds that blow perpetually, the strangeness of the natives, the loneliness all work upon their nerves.

The local British Agent prophesies that in a matter of months they will abandon their task. And they do.

WORTH AN OSCAR

That may not sound very absorbing but so skillfully is the sense of increasing tension conveyed, and so dramatically are the characters affected by their menacing environment, I, at any rate, was completely absorbed.

Mr David Farrar, as the agent, gives a performance that puts him in the top flight, and for which I would give him an "Oscar." Miss Deborah Kerr, as the young Sister Superior struggling with responsibilities too great for her, is intensely moving. Miss Kathleen Byron is superb as the Sister who loses first her faith, then her mind and at last her life. You will lose your heart to the little boy, Eddie Whaley, Jr., who comes to help the nuns teach English. One longs to see more of Jean Simmons, as Kanchi, the native girl who runs away with the son of the local ruler (Sabu).

Kay Quinlan

THEATRE Directory

TODAY'S FILMS

KING'S—The Beginning or the End (Brian Donlevy, Robert Walker, Tom Drake)
QUEEN'S—Sweet Rosie O'Grady (Betty Grable, Robert Young)
LEE—Crossfire (Robert Young, Gloria Grahame)
CENTRAL—Gunfighters (Randolph Scott, Barbara Britton)
ORIENTAL—The Razor's Edge (Tyrone Power, Gene Tierney)

CATHAY—The Lost Weekend (Ray Milland, Jane Wyman)
STAR—Arsenic and Old Lace (Cary Grant, Raymond Massey)

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THINKING ALOUD

BECAUSE they considered she was too old to be punished for stealing a handbag, Chester magistrates discharged, 87-year-old Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Kay.

Indeed, they treated her like a child who cannot be held responsible for his actions. There is a great similarity between the very old, the very young, and the very drunk. They are unselfconscious, unafraid of the consequences, and willing, nay eager, to show their true natures to the world. Sometimes the sight is not pleasant to see.

But there are great differences as well.

A child does that horrid thing in an experimental way and out of curiosity. A drunk does it because he is sick to his soul of being afraid of the wife, the boss, and the fellow who's smarter than he is.

If the very old are not to be punished for their misdeeds, then nor should children. And nor should drunks.

Harry the Mole

MY friend the Spiv, who calls himself Harry the Mole, has sent me for publication a copy of a letter he addressed recently to Mr. Attlee. Because it is so very good-tempered and reasonable perhaps it merits publication here.

Dear Clement, and my friends who thank you sincerely for the way you and your friends are shaping up to this terrible crisis. You boys are certainly set on giving the old country a refined one-two without too much of the old lily-nony-nony.

Refined is the word, dear friend. Why, just look at the fine simple way you are asking one and all to work harder and longer for less and less. Almost saintly, you might call it.

It's going to be fine pickings for me and my friends. I can assure you.

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Just look at what, dear Dr. Dalton, who is always a tonic to us all, has done about Hollywood films. That 75 per centum ad valorem tax is just what we were praying for.

Already a close friend of mine called Anna Barnygoole has got herself a nice little parcel of an old, but worthy copy (slightly torn) of "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," with Lou Chancy, and he has a promise of a small at an original film-Tin-Tin if he puts down some real key-money first.

When these are reassured to the trade he expects a cool mill. It's a sweet way to get the mere old public and only an economist could have thought of it. In fact this whole Government policy of taking away consumer goods while leaving just as much money in circulation is in-the-groove music to us all.

And we deeply thank you. We may not all have been to Hollywood, but we know a gent when we see one. For instance, it was a plain kindness to ask Scotland Yard to round us all up. There's a thousand of them and a million of us. Me and the boys are taking this opportunity to send a special donation to the police orphanage, in case they get discouraged.

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We are all hoping that when your Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Bill gets to be law it will encourage the authorities to withdraw ration books and identity cards from all not gainfully employed to the nation's good. We don't use either.

We gave them up, long before some other people gave up smoking.

But this brings me, dear Prime Minister, to the one point on which we spivs do not see peeper to peeper with you. We wish to request you respectfully to desist from the cruel habit of saying "spivs and drunks" like that in one sentence, regardless.

They are different. A Spiv does air, is a busy and energetic member of the community who takes a pride in the fact that he can lay his hands to, or on anything. He is our great modern example of the spirit of enterprise that sent the late Sir Francis Drake and the late Horatio Bottomley to the old grey birdage.

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But Drones, sir. That is another fettle of kish. Lazy, idle, incompetent. Blimps every one, sir. Look at what happened at the Lancashire v. S. Africa match at Old Trafford. Fifty so-called gents added the pastboard to get into the members' stand. And what did they do when they got there? Pick a quiet pocket? Sell a small goldbrick?

Not at all, sir. They watched cricket. They wasted their time. And when the heavy hand of shoulder tap came down, did they mizzle? Did they fade? No, sir. They took their books off. Like they were an-chor, so heavy and quiet they went. I ask you, Mr. Prime Minister. Is that the kind of aggressive spirit which will put the mere old country out of the old deep, dark and empty?

In conclusion I would like to say on behalf of us all thanks a lot for 1946-7. It was fun while it lasted. To you, dear Prime Minister, I look affectionately and bows accordingly.

Round the world

THE way the world goes: When Clarence, 39-year-old son of Mrs. Anderson, a Minneapolis widow, was found by the police it was plain he had been shackled to his bed for 18 years. His brother Martin had been locked in a shack on the roof for 16 years. Their sister Violet, 35, had been shut up in an attic for two years.

Mrs. Anderson is alleged to have said: "They're mine. I can do what I like with them."

Mrs. Anderson seems to have gone too far. But there are countless mothers in this world who treat their children as possessions and get away with it without the police interfering.

Captain Odum, an ex-British Ferry Command pilot, flew round the world in 65 minutes over three days, thus beating the previous air record of the world solo record by 115 hours 45 minutes.

Captain Odum reminds me of a certain Chinese Ambassador who, when told that the train that had carried him across the continent had beaten the record by five minutes said: "But that is splendid. And what are you going to do with the five minutes?"

Romano Mussolini has passed examinations in book-keeping and accountancy. It's better than did ever did.

Dublin politics

SIGNS of a united Europe: In Dublin, where I visited to watch Puccini's Meredith perform at the Gaiety Theatre in Maxwell Anderson's "Winterset," there was talk of a friendship with the old enemy England.

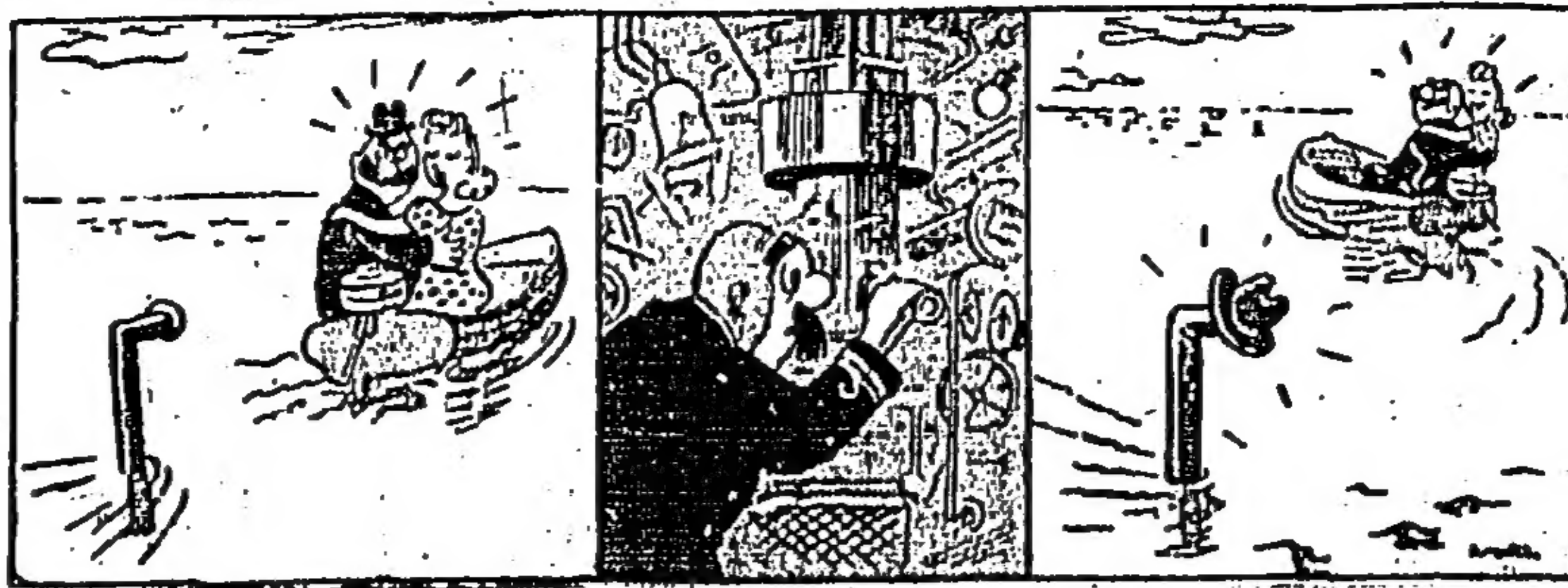
The Dubliners, perhaps a little excited by the English summer invasion—or flustered by the success of the Dublin Horse Show—were preaching this political doctrine to me.

"Let's stop this absurdity and be together again, for both our good!" Of course, they added, the terms of this new love affair would be the end of partition between them and Northern Ireland, or Ulster as we call it.

You know, the Irish are short of dollars, too.

DAB... AND FLOUNDER

by Walter



Sefton Delmer's NEWSMAP

WHAT is it that makes ambassadors so glamorous that American millionaires and British trade union bosses try all they know to elbow their way into this highly specialised profession?

Jack Tanner, chairman of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, still hankers after an ambassadorship. When Lord Halifax was giving up Washington, Tanner wanted to succeed him. But Bevin sent Lord Inverchapel instead.

Now Jack Tanner, I hear, is having another try for Washington and has also joined the queue of those clamouring to succeed Duff Cooper in Paris.

Both posts—the plums of the service—may shortly be free.

Certainly Tanner has a handsome presence. With his silvery hair he would look good in diplomatic uniform presenting his credentials to the president of a republic. He is a good conversationalist. And I imagine he must be a skilled negotiator to have got where he is in the trade union movement.

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BUT it takes more than being a good mixer to make a good ambassador.

(a) He must have a deep background of political education and experience.

(b) He must have the ability to study a country to which he is sent against the background of his experience.

(c) He must be able to analyse the trends of a political situation, forecast its future development, and present, with their pros and cons, the alternative policies which his Government might follow.

(d) He must be courageous and tactful in pointing out to his superiors at home the dangers of any policy on which they may have decided.

(e) But if, despite his arguments, they persist in that policy he must be prepared to carry it out with all the skill at his command.

Finally, he must impress his foreign colleagues with his honesty. They must trust him—even if they fear him.

If Jack Tanner were to ask me which of our present ambassadors he was to model himself on I would say Lord Inverchapel for his firmness, honesty, and tact (I am thinking chiefly of his remarkable wartime achievement, winning the confidence of the Kremlin), Duff Cooper for the brilliance of his despatches interpreting the

I'd hardly say Mr. Tanner makes my ideal ambassador...



French scene, and Sir Reginald Leeper—now at our Embassy in Buenos Aires—for his skill in dealing with extremely sticky situations.

I know my selection of "Rex" Leeper will surprise many. But, in my opinion, his handling of the Greek situation, first in Cairo (where he was the victim of conflicting instructions from the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary) and later in Greece itself, was a masterpiece of calmness and smoothness under impossible conditions.

He has done extremely well in the Argentine, I am told by those who know.

And Leeper has one other quality which is important not only to ambassadors but to all departmental heads—even Cabinet Ministers.

He listens to the advice of his experts, tells them if he accepts it, tells them why if he does not. He is loyal to his juniors, and does not devolve on them responsibility which is his even though the actions may be theirs.

On the whole, I would not advise Jack Tanner to become an ambassador. Because there is yet another job which the best British diplomats do these days. They guide their American colleagues. The Americans respect the experience and savvy of the British old school career diplomat. I doubt whether they would show it to Jack Tanner however jolly a fellow he may be.

MILAN: Five men take their time

ITALY'S main contribution to the reconstruction of Europe under the Marshall Plan is to be manpower. Her two million unemployed are to be exported to countries lacking workers.

If this plan ever comes to be implemented I hope our methods of recruiting labour will be more efficient and less costly than they are at present.

In September 1946 we sent a delegation to Northern Italy to find Italian moulders for British foundries. The foundries lack 25,000 moulders and the delegation was authorised to recruit 2,500.

There were representatives of the Ministry of Supply, of the Ministry of Labour, of the trades unions, and the Employers' Federation—five of them in all.

They stayed away from cold, coal-starved Britain all through the winter. Four of the five went home in April. The fifth was still in Italy when I visited Rome.

They recruited 300 moulders. This job did not need a delegation from London. It could have been done by the labour attaché of our Embassy in Rome with the help of the Italians and our consulates.

DUSSELDORF: What did 'SS' mean?

AN interesting departure from the stage of German political life is that of the mysterious Dr Nansen, alias Brigadier of the Waffen S.S. Zech-Nentwig.

The brigadier, a typical, rosy-faced young Prussian officer with the high nasal voice of his caste, was almost the first prisoner of war to be repatriated from Britain to Germany. Under the assumed name of Dr Nansen he went to Dusseldorf, and with the help of the British Military Government authorities was given a job as adjutant to Dr Lehr, the chief of the German provincial Government.

"Dr Nansen" liked to tell his German friends that he enjoyed the backing of the highest authorities in the British Counter-Intelligence Service and Military Government. In fact, from the way the ex-S.S. brigadier talked it seemed he was still S.S.—only now it stood for Secret Service. They believed him because, despite the comparative unimportance of the official positions successively held by him, Nansen was regularly present at the most exclusively VIP functions.

He told a remarkable story of his wartime career. He claimed that he had belonged to a democratic, anti-Hitler resistance group in the Waffen S.S., that he had helped the Polish Underground in Poland, had been arrested and imprisoned by the Germans. Poles disguised as Germans had freed him. Later he was captured by the British, who checked up on his career in Poland, accorded him specially favourable treatment, and let him live in comparative freedom near Maidenhead.

He even suggested that the passage in the Nuremberg verdict accepting the S.S. Cavalry from the general condemnation of the S.S. was his work. "Our resistance movement," he would tell them, "had its original nucleus in the S.S. Cavalry."

I have been unable to check up even this part of Zech-Nentwig's reported story because nothing was ever said during that trial about the activities of the S.S. Cavalry. The verdict in their favour stands mysteriously unsupported by any evidence on which the judges could have formed it.

The new Regional Government of the Christian Democrat Party has now held an inquiry into the record and activities of this, the only S.S. man in Government employ in the Western zones. They decided to dismiss him.

But even now there is still mystery. It is said he was dismissed not because he had been an S.S. man but because his alleged British masters had found him to be in touch with the Communists—and their masters.

BERLIN: Why three Keep-Lefters left

SHORTLY after the Control Commission was set up in Germany a small group of reliable Socialists were sent to Germany and appointed to key positions. It was their job to ensure that "reactionary elements" among the Foreign Office and Services personnel of the commission did not sabotage the great work of socialising the British zone.

For two years these men have acted as the eyes and ears of Transport House in Germany. Now they are going. Among those leaving are Austin Albu, deputy chief of the governmental sub-commission, Alan Flanders, head of the German section in the political division and Eric Schumacher, of the Economic Special Commission.

All three of them are members of the "Socialist Vanguard" Group on the outside Left of the Socialist Party.

The reason for the departure of the three is the Right Turn forced on the British by the Americans in the new bi-zonal administration.

The Americans dislike the attempt of Britain's Socialist missionaries to force nationalisation on the Germans.

BORDEAUX: Postscript for gastronomes

THE latest delicacy to be thought up in Bordeaux is a cold oyster on a silver of hot pork sausage. With it a sip of dry white wine. I am longing to try it.

IN AND OUT OF PARLIAMENT:

MOSCOW'S WELCOME TO ZILLIACUS IS NOT NEWS

By ERNEST THURTELL, M.P.

A MOSCOW cable reported that Mr. Zilliaccus and his party of M.P.s were very cordially received by Mr. Molotov.

I protest that that is not news.

It goes without saying that any Labour M.P. who has attacked Mr. Bevin and the Labour Government as bitterly and as frequently as Mr. Zilliaccus must have a warm corner in the heart of Mr. Molotov.

Why, only the other day, after the new Communist international organisation had denounced the Labour Government's policy as "strengthening Imperialism and strangling democracy," Zilliaccus obligingly declared that "broadly speaking the Communist declaration is not an unfaithful picture."

NO. If the Moscow cable had reported that Mr. Zilliaccus had been coldly snubbed that would indeed have been news.

But such a message is most unlikely.

The Kremlin, give it its due, generally stands by the faithful, whatever their nationality. Especially when they let their own country down. (Italics mine).

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SIR IAN HAMILTON'S death recalls an example of his imaginative clemency I came across more than 20 years ago.

Collecting evidence in support of the abolition of the Army Death Penalty, I was, with official permission, looking through the General Orders file in the War Office library.

Here I came across a striking order issued by Sir Ian on Gallipoli. Two soldiers were lying under sentence of death, and were about to be executed, for cowardice.

Some hours before the execution the commander was at the front watching an attack, and there and then he telegraphed a message back saying that he had been so impressed by the gallantry of the troops that he could not let the two men die for their failure.

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MR CREECH JONES reaffirms the Government's intention of ending our Palestine military commitment at an early date.

If UNO decides upon a scheme of partition which pleases neither side, and makes the internal struggle even more acute than now, so be it.

Let the word of UNO be law.

But let not UNO, or anybody else, expect this long-suffering country to sacrifice more British blood in assuming the burden of putting such a scheme into operation.

For nearly 30 years Britain has struggled in Palestine with an impossible task and received in return from those she sought to serve not gratitude, but revillings and curses. Moreover, it blood be the price of Mandate.

"Lord God, we ha' paid in full!"

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THE surprise Government decision to amend the Parliament Act this session was, there is little doubt, born of a compromise on differences within the Cabinet.

There were members who wanted steel nationalisation this session. One or two were deeply sworn on the issue.

They could not have their way, but were offered the solace of the proposal to reduce by half the power of the Upper House to destroy a Steel Bill when introduced. Presumably this sufficed to relieve their anxieties and satisfy their honour.

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THE proposed change is vulnerable, too, from the standpoint of Labour's own idea of sound constitutional doctrine.

As I understand it, the party has always held that the Lords have no real right to obstruct the passage of legislation sent to it by the Commons, the people's representatives.

Yet the proposed new measure, since it proposes only to cut down the Lords' formal right to obstruct by half the existing period, thereby concedes by implication that the right of veto for some period is justifiable.

Thus, from the strictly democratic standpoint, the proposed modification may be considered a retrograde step.

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IT is early to say what the final Upper Chamber reaction to this challenge will be.

The Prime Minister, naturally, sought to convince the Lords of the wisdom of taking this cut in their powers quietly, lest worse befall.

But I doubt if they will heed the implied threat. Incidentally Mr. Attlee brought out in his speech (not one of his best) one or two pieces of the large store of massive verbatim oration (in Hansard and available for use) which Mr. Churchill in his Radical days delighted in firing off against the peers.

I foresee lively and amusing debates on this ancient issue.

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Jests And Jeers

Several girls have remarked on the fact that the visiting gobs haven't made passes at them. Hey, fellows, where's your chivalry?

The reason why a dollar won't do as much as it once did may be because people won't do as much for a dollar as they once did.

Warning at a college party: the first worm gets an early bird.

Paradoxically, free speech is good only when the speakers are under some restriction.

Most males have the soul of a gentleman. Their only trouble is to keep body and soul together.

Slips that passed in the night—From the Oklahoma City Times: "Warren E. Austin, chief U.S. delegate to the United Nations..."

From Hedda Hopper's column in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat: "Kathryn Grayson had better begin reducing if she hopes to wear that wedding dress she had fitted a couple of months ago."

From the Fremont (Nebraska) Tribune: "For Sale—Young dressed hens. Absolutely clean and ready for the rooster."

MUSIC AND THE ARTS:

COVENT GARDEN SEASON

By R. G. WEETLOCK

THE Covent Garden opera opened its autumn season with a new production of Verdi's "Rigoletto" in English. This was really a resumption of the English season—though the English company is being reinforced by foreign artists. In the new year three Wagner operas will be produced: "Meistersinger," "Walkure" and "Tristan and Isolde." Kirsten Flagstad will sing "Brunhilde" in "Walkure" in English, but Tristan will be sung in German with Flagstad as Isolde and Max Lorenz as Tristan.

The performance of "Rigoletto" was remarkable for the sensational singing and acting of Paolo Silveri, young Italian baritone, who first became known in England last year with the San Carlo Opera Company and has frequently appeared since. His voice is remarkable for its rich warm tone, a pure high baritone—and his Rigoletto is a forceful and imaginative impersonation. As hunchbacked Jester, he seems to shrink to half his normal size. Elda Rittelli as Gilda acts well but her voice was considered rather too metallic in tone for the fiery glow of Verdi's music.

All the scenery in Covent Garden English productions has been distinguished and imaginative, and the Rigoletto settings—by James Bailey—are well up to standard, though the impression of immense vistas of

distance sometimes dwarfs the singers. The climax of the Richard Strauss festival in London came with two broadcast performances of "Elektra" under Sir Thomas Beecham—at the end of the first the composer shouted "bravo"—and a British Broadcasting Corporation concert in the Albert Hall later when Strauss conducted his own symphonic poem "Till Eulenspiegel." Strauss is now 83 and it is exactly 50 years since he first conducted this work in London.

Another notable concert in London was the first of four which the London Philharmonic Orchestra is giving under Bruno Walter.

The programme contained three Beethoven symphonies—the first, eighth and fifth.

SIR Alfred J. Munnings, President of the Royal Academy is holding his first one-man show since 1939. He calls it "The English Scene". The exhibition consists of pictures of horses, race courses and landscapes, and Sir Alfred has been highly praised by art critics for his expert knowledge and accurate observation, particularly in the matter of horses.

The earliest picture shown is "Forgotten Days" and depicts horses crossing a river.

Another painter who specialised in a very definite aspect of "The English Scene" was Henry Hoyland, who has just died at his home in Dulwich,

near London. Hoyland specialised in pictures of the circus and a one-man show of his circus paintings was held in 1938 and opened by the late Lady Eleanor Smith, daughter of the first Lord Birkenhead, who made a lifelong study of the circus. The pictures were painted from sketches made at circus performances in London during the 1920's. Hoyland was a Yorkshireman born at Sheffield, and many of his pictures are to be seen in municipal collections at Sheffield, Leeds and Wakefield.

It has been an eventful period in salesrooms. At Christie's on October 20, 187 lots brought in altogether £27,171, the highest price being paid for a Louis XV writing cabinet—£2,730. A barometer and thermometer by Claude Simon Passavant, 1747, and £1,522 was paid for a Louis XVI table. At Sotheby's a collection of old English silver realised £15,213 including £1,200 for a pair of George II covered jugs and £1,100 for a set of four William III silver gilt hexagonal dishes.

Two of the original actors at the Abbey Theatre, Dublin—the first English-speaking repertory theatre, founded at the beginning of the century—died in the past few days. They were W. G. Fay and Dudley Digges. W. G. Fay was one of the founders of the Abbey Theatre with his brother Frank, Lady Gregory and W. B. Yeats, great Irish poet. He was a small pudgy man and became famous as a comedian in Irish plays and when he left the Abbey Theatre,

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"How is it you're the only one in the family that has shoes soled—are your wife and kids all rich?"

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What an idea will do

By Anne Edwards

WHEN the Queen Elizabeth docked at Southampton recently, among the passengers stepping ashore was a tubby little man (height 5ft. 2ins.) whose inspiration has pulled out of the fire the fifth largest industry in France.

He had been in America putting the filip of his presence to an idea which will bring dollars rolling into France. He has resold America on the tag "made in Paris." Because of his name, people in America are ready to buy French-made textiles, gloves, shoes, buttons, bags.

The name, of course, is Dior—Christian Dior—the man who started the long-skirt controversy.

But for the moment forget the controversy. Get out of your mind your personal view of whether you like the longer skirt or hate it. Think of clothes in terms of big-scale industry.

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OUR story begins on February 12 in a salon in Paris. There Dior put on his first show of 97 dresses. But instead of the tailored, tapered masculine women of the last 15 years his mannequins were feminine, sloping-shouldered, wasp-waisted and hippy, without a flat line in their bodies.

The effect was sensational. Buyers who for two years since the war had come to Paris, seen the collections, but refused to buy fell over each other to secure these models, cheerfully paid up to £250 apiece.

At his second show on August 6 Dior established himself as the leading dress designer of his day, and doubled his American orders, and virtually saved the dress industry in France. Christian Dior on the scene of this man's success is big money in

any language, but especially it means dollars. Nearly every Paris-visiting American woman who is wealthy enough buys frocks from him.

His "mock-ups" (along with yards of French textiles to make them up) are sold at fantastic prices all over the States.

In America the four-billion-dollar dress industry is turning out over a million dresses a week, most of them Dior-inspired. You can go into almost any dress shop in Hollywood or Brussels, San Francisco or London, and buy a Dior dress at any price level, from £100 for an original in Paris down to a 25s. copy in Macy's.

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NOW, have we, in Britain, any one who could give our fashion export drive a shot in the arm as stimulating as the one given by the little man who stepped off the Queen Elizabeth?

In Princess Elizabeth we have a fashion leader who rates higher than any other personality with the Americans.

Anything which the Princess wears or uses personally has a ready-made market in the States.

Already her pearls have been copied, her ring has been copied, and it is known that her wedding dress will be copied within a matter of hours after its first appearance.

It is impossible to estimate the enormous yardage of her wedding or trousseau materials (actual or near copies) which could have been sold there already. It would have been possible to give the biggest yet, boost to the fashion dollar drive.

But—much more important—the publicity and prestige given to British-made fashions would have stimulated the whole American market.

Unfortunately, an atmosphere of mystery is preserved about everything Princess Elizabeth wears on private or public occasions.

It makes it difficult for the Princess to bring prestige to British textiles, designers, and styling when any accurate description is officially forbidden.

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It makes it difficult for American firms to place orders for materials, or to order copies of her dress, when no one knows exactly what the material or the frock is like.

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THIS brings me back to Christian Dior. He has proved that this great industry of women's clothes always needs the inspiration of a fashion leader.

Britain has a leader. Why can't we let her leadership shine?



LONGER, SHORTER...YET THE SAME LENGTH

THE same length? Yet one dress is "long," the other "short." Both are revolutionary and both from Paris.

Paris dress shows feature a longer skirt by day. But by night the hemline rises ankle-length or above. Here, therefore, is where the two meet: Time, 7 p.m.; place, 3 to 4in. above the ankle.

Just the thing for the younger woman is the deceptively sober black satin dress (left) by Maggy Rouff, with its upstanding white lace collar and elbow-length cuffs. The minimum waist is achieved through a bodice that is practically painted on the figure, a waist corset and—most effective of all—four models of fan pleats that begin at the corner of either hip bone, back and front, and give pyramid fullness to the skirt.

On the right is the short evening dress by Christian Dior, good enough to eat, in white lace over palest grey silk foundation. Pale pink satin defines the waist, to match the spray

of pink roses. The low square neckline, pushup three-quarter sleeves and a belted waist sign this season's shorter, fuller evening dress.

Many of the Paris fashions were either too extreme or flamboyant. But, in spite of long-short-skirt controversy, these two dresses deserve approval for being ahead of current fashion without giving the shock that forward fashion often brings.



The things they do for good looks

THE average customer of beauty salons spends £10 a year on her beauty preparations and £21 on her hair. But in the West End salons it is not uncommon for regular clients to spend £250 a year on their faces, hands and bodies; £100 would be reckoned moderate for a year's bill at a Mayfair hairdresser.

Younger women are seeking the aid of beauty parlours to keep their looks. In one salon 75 percent of the regular clients are young women. Verdict of most of the experts is that young skins are not what they used to be.

New treatments have been evolved to deal with dry skin. One is "oxygenation"—fresh oxygen sprayed into the skin.

Make-up experts predict that the pinky make-ups of the summer will last through the winter, largely because "men approve." Heavy, painted make-ups are out; soft, natural colours are popular among all ages.

There is also a demand for stronger perfumed products.

BROKEN NAILS

To the Hand and Nail Institute in Bond-street flock women bewailing their broken, splitting nails and worn, roughened hands.

Unaccustomed housework, hard London winter, and an unbalanced diet help to produce hand and nail trouble. Most common complaint is paronychia, where the cuticles swell and become inflamed and the nails split and sometimes fall off. Queuing and tedious shopping hours have had an effect on women's feet. Chiropodists say that many feet have spread and nearly every working woman now takes a shoe one size larger than before the war.

According to one of the National Shopping Surveys, 70 percent of women do not paint their nails. But the remaining 30 percent this winter will choose the paler pastel tones.

Hair this winter, say the Mayfair hair dictators, will be short—four to six inches. Long bobs, they say, are finished. False buns are here to stay, particularly for evening wear. Strong dyes are also out. More women are having special rinses to bring out the soft pastel lights and disguise grey hairs.

The cold perm has arrived. One hairdressing salon in Mayfair gives 10 cold perms (£8 6s. each) to every five by the hot system (£8 6s. each).

Learn to grow old gracefully

—By DORIS BLAKE

IN spite of the fact that so many of us look forward to the day when we can putter around a home or garden and not have to turn on the alarm, it's dawning on authorities on how to grow old gracefully that folk are not prepared for those carefree retirement days.

That men find more shoals and reefs in the waters of re-

tirement than women is told by George Lawton and Maxwell S. Stewart in a public affairs pamphlet entitled "When You Grow Older." As one man said after the farewell dinner given on the eve of his retirement: "They covered me with garlands and then exiled me from the human race and sent me off into the wilderness."

A typical man trains himself for a single job which calls for skills that decline with age, our authorities state. With this job he ties up his entire existence and sense of importance, to say nothing of his earning capacity. When the job goes, everything else goes. He needs something to take the place of his former daily tasks and activities, needs to pit his wits against practical problems and compete in a test of skill or strength. Success in such a situation is what makes him feel he is all the should be. Being worsted by a competitor is no catastrophe, but being denied an opportunity to compete is much worse.

FINANCIAL planning for retirement is common enough but planning for use of the free time is due for greater consideration. As our authorities say:

"Many men and women, successful in business, the arts, or the professions, look forward to their fifties as a time when they can reduce their working day and flee for asylum to their 'farm,' their ten acre estate. There they read, do a little gardening, mingle with the natives and imagine they have learned the lesson of growing old gracefully. Actually this is how to grow old disgracefully. It is one thing to get away from the city and the tension of the job and refresh oneself before returning to one's tasks."



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Robb PREVIEWS SOME OF THE HATS FOR THE WEDDING

IN his workroom in Hanover-square, the man who makes hats for the Queen and the Princesses gave Robb a tip-off on hats that will hit the limelight at the royal wedding.

The four styles he has drawn here have all been ordered to be ready by November 20. Latest on the royal hat colours: The Queen's favourites are pale beige, greys, and cream mixed with pink. The Princess has ordered mist blues to match her going-away outfit.

Favoured trends are for the new wide berets, mostly folded and draped to give an east-to-west look or ballooned above a brim like a 1909 motoring hat.

The felts for these hats are of a new design, and made in an exceptionally light-weight material which is more supple—and more easily moulded—than an ordinary felt. British milliners, anticipating a heavy demand for the royal wedding berets, are already making hundreds of hats from the new felts.



Typical of the Drimmed Beret can be worn flat and straight for a thin face or down-pulled on one side for a plump face.



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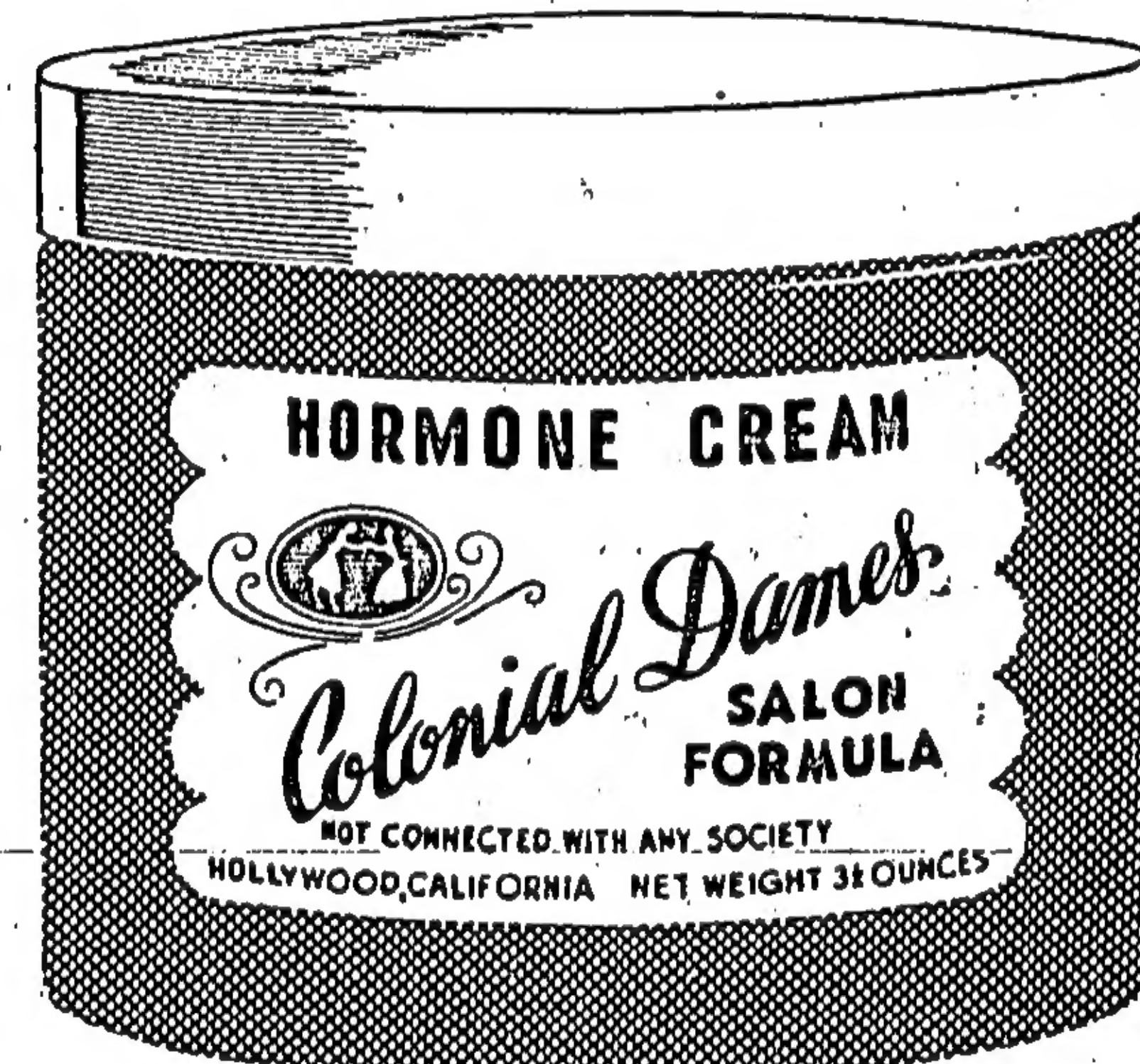
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by COMMODORE
SIR JAMES BISSET, C.B.E.

HOW did the Queen Mary and the Queen Elizabeth fulfil their wartime roles? Together, the Monsters—as seafarers used to refer to the two liners—travelled well over a million miles on war service and carried a million and a quarter fighting men. They did the work of 20 ordinary liners, and did it faster.

Never once did either ship sight an enemy submarine or fire a shot in anger from her defensive armament. Not one man was lost through enemy action.

When war began, the Queen Mary (81,235 tons) had just arrived at New York with 2,332 passengers and 1,000 crew. She was laid up through the winter while the Admiralty and the Cunard company debated her future.

Some experts thought to fill her with troops would just present a sitting target (equivalent to an entire division) to submarines and aircraft. Because of her size, it was argued, they couldn't miss.

Meanwhile her 85,000-ton sister, the Queen Elizabeth, had never sailed, but was 95 per cent. completed, and her presence on the Clyde was a source of anxiety to the Government.

She was endangering the whole of Messrs John Brown's shipyards and her vast bulk was occupying space urgently needed for other work.

In February 1940, the Admiralty requested that she should leave the Clyde and "remain away from the British Isles."

Tore across Atlantic

One dark, stormy night in March, she slipped away and tore across the Atlantic like a scalded cat, to tie up alongside the Queen Mary at New York.

Leaving the Queen Elizabeth to get over her teething troubles, the Mary sailed for Sydney, where her luxury fit-

tings were stored ashore and she was converted into a troopship.

That May she sailed for Britain with 6,000 Australian troops. The Navy had decided to take the risk with a "sitting target."

Meanwhile, the Elizabeth had undergone the same sea change at Singapore. For some time both ships made many voyages from Sydney to Suez and Britain with Anzac soldiers, and with prisoners.

While most of Britain was wondering what had happened to them, their mammoth decks, swarming with khaki, had become familiar sights at the other end of the world.

The cable which ordered me, in February 1942, to leave the Franconia at Trinidad was followed by a naval instruction to fly to Miami.

It was my first flight and I nearly suffered the indignity of being airsick in my sea-captain's white uniform.

ON THE BRIDGE

A Feeling of great pride

A TENDER took me from Key West, 23 miles out, to the Queen Mary. Captain John Townley, 63 years old, was retiring and I was to take over.

I am a modest man, but standing on the bridge, gazing at the ship's majestic lines and three towering funnels gave one a feeling of great pride.

On board were 8,398 U.S. troops, the first to be sent to Australia, and we took a circuitous

route through the Caribbean and out into the open sea by way of the Anegada Passage, doing 30 knots and zig-zagging.

I did not like that passage—its narrow, calm waters looked ominous.

My forebodings were justified, for half an hour later we picked up an SOS from a steamer torpedoed there, only ten miles astern of us.

The weight of my responsibilities did not lift for a moment. The German radio correctly announced our arrival in the Rio de Janeiro Roads, and said we would be sunk on leaving.

Half-way across to Cape Town the senior radio operator said he had just heard a Tokyo broadcast claiming we had been sunk with all hands.

My instructions about saving life at sea were explicit. I was never to stop the ship to save life, not even to put out a boat if a man fell overboard.

Thank God I never had to make the terrible decision to leave one of my passengers to drown.

All soldiers were warned of their fate if they fell overboard, and none did.

But on this voyage I had to make a decision equally distressing.

A hundred miles north of Bermuda we sighted five lifeboats loaded with men near a capsized boat.

I made a signal with a powerful Morse lamp that I would report their position by radio, and regretfully left them.

86 CROSSINGS

'Mary' too fast for an escort

JERRY was probably lurking around for just such a rescue. I might have been tempted to make. I refused the bait, but broke radio silence as promised.

In New York, I was thanked by the U.S. Navy for my action—the men had been picked up the next day. Our pursuer's son was among them!

About this time I took over the Queen Elizabeth for one round Atlantic voyage, and then rejoined the Queen Mary. Both are grand ships, but I was glad to get back to my old love.

Then followed more Middle East runs, including transporting much-needed reinforcements for the Eighth Army, and leading a convoy which took home the last of the Anzacs in Egypt to face the growing Jap menace.

In April 1943 the Queen Mary ended her globe-trotting, and, until the end of the war, she stayed on the regular Clyde-New York route, making

altogether 86 crossings, usually with 15,000 troops on board east-bound and 3,000 west-bound.

They dubbed me "Never Save a Sub" Bisset. Credit for this must go primarily to the Admiralty and the U.S. Navy, for they planned the diversions followed on each voyage, diversions which steered us clear not merely of submarines and mines, but of convoys, so that few could talk of having seen us.

Blue-riband speed

You must remember that we rarely had a surface escort. Very few destroyers can keep up with the Queens at our full speed, except in calm water.

As soon as a sea develops, destroyers bury their noses in it and sustain damage if they go all out.

The average speed of the Queen Mary during the war was 29.5 knots—not far behind her 1938 blue riband speed of 31.69 knots.

The diversions were radioed to us in code, mostly at night and nearly every night.

There might be six or seven every crossing, and each diversion might mean 150 to 200 more miles to be steamed.

Yet we liked to receive these diversions, for it meant that although alone in mid-ocean the Navy had not forgotten us, but was guiding our route according to the latest information of submarine activity.

OUR TACTICS

Baffled U-boat pack commanders

WE made a different track every voyage. Sometimes we were down near the Azores, other times we were up, near Greenland.

These tactics must have sorely baffled the U-boat pack commanders.

What could they have done if they had known we were coming? Because of our terrific speed and constant zig-zagging, they would have had to lie in wait spread over a wide area.

Once my ship was ahead or ahead of them, they stood little chance of hitting us.

On one occasion, indeed, when we were about 500 miles northwest of the Irish coast, a tremendous explosion occurred 500 yards off the port quarter.

A geyser of water shot 300ft. into the air and the engine room reported a heavy concussion.

It was either a torpedo which missed us and automatically exploded, or else an acoustic mine set off by the vibration of the propellers. We didn't wait to investigate!

Mines were less dangerous. They would have disabled us, however, and caused us to go slow, and then there might have been real trouble.

The most perilous times should have been during the approaches to New York or Northern Ireland, but these were so well guarded by planes, surface vessels and listening devices that they became areas too risky for submarines.

Air cover rapidly developed, and any day in any part of the Atlantic Sunderlands would appear and slay with us for a few hours.

They would talk to us by lamp at night, and we would be staying. It was a cheating experience for me on the bridge, especially in mid-Atlantic.

60 A.A. GUNS

But did not see an enemy plane

I NEVER saw a Jerry plane while in the Queens. I think we would have put up a good show against air attack. We had 60 anti-aircraft guns with gunnery officer always with me on the bridge. We travelled too fast to fly balloons.

I hardly dared think what would have happened to all the souls on board if we had been sunk.

Although there were lifeboats for 3,000 and rafts for 15,000, terrific loss of life would have occurred if we had gone down in cold water.

A rescue plan was developed. There would have been rescue ships on the scene within a few hours, for warships and merchant-men were kept at certain positions right across the Atlantic to get to the Monsters in an emergency.

I always did my own navigation and rested on my settee in the bridge chartroom, dressed in an old uniform with duffle coat, ready to jump up in an emergency, or make the diversions whenever brought to me by one of the six Wrens kept on board for coding and decoding.

Every morning and evening I took star sights if the stars were visible, for I was most anxious to keep exactly on course. Had we been torpedoed, I would have sent out a distress signal, giving latitude and longitude.

An error in navigation would have meant delay in rescue.

I have already said my hair went white during the war. Yet I have never been the worrying kind.

I believed in taking every possible precaution. When I couldn't think of any other, all I could do was rest, keep a clear head, and hope for the best.

I led a lonely life, for no one visited my cabin unless on duty. When it came to making a decision I knew that ultimately I was the responsible person no matter whose advice I took.

If I had important people aboard I would invite them to the bridge for a short chat, but I never encouraged it. I preferred to devote myself entirely to the navigation and management of the ship.

I had no amusements except sometimes a game of patience at night. It seemed a restful thing. I hardly ever drank, and only rarely took a whisky and soda if I felt thoroughly exhausted.

One thing I know my crew gave me credit for—I looked after my job.

"You must be worn out," one of my officers would say.

"I am," perhaps I replied.

"Well sir, the crew appreciate it." I am happy to think it gave them confidence.

Old pessimist

One old pilot on the Clyde always seemed to be pessimistic. Trip after trip he would see me out, and when saying farewell he loved to remark: "I always say they'll send the pitcher once too often to the well."

There was no point in being superstitious. I have sailed on Friday the 13th.

My only superstitions are that I don't like spilling salt, or knocking a glass and making it ring. I always put my finger on it.

I think there were some people a little more jumpy than I am.

In the early days, while going down New York Harbour the 15,000 U.S. troops aboard all had to keep out of sight to fool people that the ship was sailing empty.

But this precaution was dropped when it was realised all New York knew what was happening.

Once our sailing was delayed 24 hours because someone in the Middle West picked up a scrap of paper which read: "She'll be sailing 9 a.m."

No ship named, but that was our scheduled time of departure, and the authorities took no chances.

GUM-CHEWERS

They 'paved' the decks with it

I should like to pay tribute to the brilliant organisation which made the carrying, sleeping and feeding of so many thousands of troops such a precision job.

There was excellent team-work between the Navy, the military, the owners and authorities on both sides of the Atlantic.

I could not have wished for better shipmates than the G.I.s. I shall even forgive the one who said of the Queen Mary in my hearing: "I bet the British wish they could build a ship like this."

I shall also forgive them their chewing gum. We had to ban it

after the first voyage because the decks became almost "paved" with it. Caustic soda and scrapers were required to clean it off, with much damage to the oilcloth.

Honorary LL.D.

When I reached New York with homecoming troops after VE day, they made a great fuss of me.

I surprised the Press by telling them, among other things, that the Queen Mary carried no underwater device for detecting submarines because her propellers and bow wave created so much noise that any outside sounds would have been drowned.

On November 3, 1942, I was honoured with the C.B.E. In August 1944, I was promoted Commodore of the Cunard White Star Line.

On July 10, 1945, I was knighted at Buckingham Palace. I was proud to receive this cable from Mr. Churchill:

"Please accept my warm congratulations on your knighthood. It will become the Commander of such a proud vessel which has played no inconspicuous part in our victory."

In January 1946, in company with Lord Alanbrooke, Lord Tedder and Field Marshal Viscount Alexander, I received an honorary LL.D. at Cambridge, where they were pleased to call me "A Prince of Navigators and a Scourer of Danger."

With all these honours, what more could a simple sailor ask?

NEXT WEEK

What a life at sea has taught me

BY THE
WAY
by Beachcomber

I SUGGEST to Dr Korenchevsky and his gerontologists that most people would prefer scientists to make life pleasanter instead of longer.

It is no use offering us increased years with one hand and easier methods of extermination with the other. The scientists, who have made war more abominable than it has ever been before have robbed us of our peace of mind, and what would be the use of living for hundreds of years in mental anguish? Also, as the Irish Times remarks, "The eldest sons of Irish farmers would be compelled to wait for a couple of centuries before they would be in a position to marry."

"My dear, she doesn't look a day over 300."

A picture for Dali

HERE is something for those who study the deep significance of dreams. Last night I dreamed that I was eating liqueur in an antique shop with an old friend. He said, "If a man wanted to have his legs covered with mince, the mince would have to cover the inside of his legs as well as the outside." I agreed, and said, "This is not liqueur, it's dried apples." A woman we both know then landed from a toy balloon. "She's a famous cricketer," said my friend. "She's Ranji." "Nonsense," said I. "It's Lansoor, and her initials are O.F.T." "They were," said my friend. "But they're not any longer" and he handed me some notes on an actor's career, written by an American statesman. Then I woke up.

Blazing the trail

STARTING tomorrow, this column will make an experiment which, in the words of an impartial observer, will probably revolutionise daily journalism. The new feature will be an invisible comic strip.

Edwardian nights

She said they first quarrelled when he took her out to supper. (News Item.)

"A BATTLE and a bird," commented a shrewd clubman. "Walter, all Miss Delmonico's shoes with champagne." "Bd'n shoes, sir?" "Of course, man. Heat wave, you know, what?" "Basili! The waiter's taken off my shoes!" "My dear, if you didn't know the routine you shouldn't have come out with me." "Well, Nora, I hope he treated you like a lady." "Oh, mother, he filled my shoes with beastly prickly wine." "Lucky girl." "Did dad do that to you when you were courting?" "Well, no, dear. He drank from a glass. It was very dull."

VITAMIN E TREATMENT

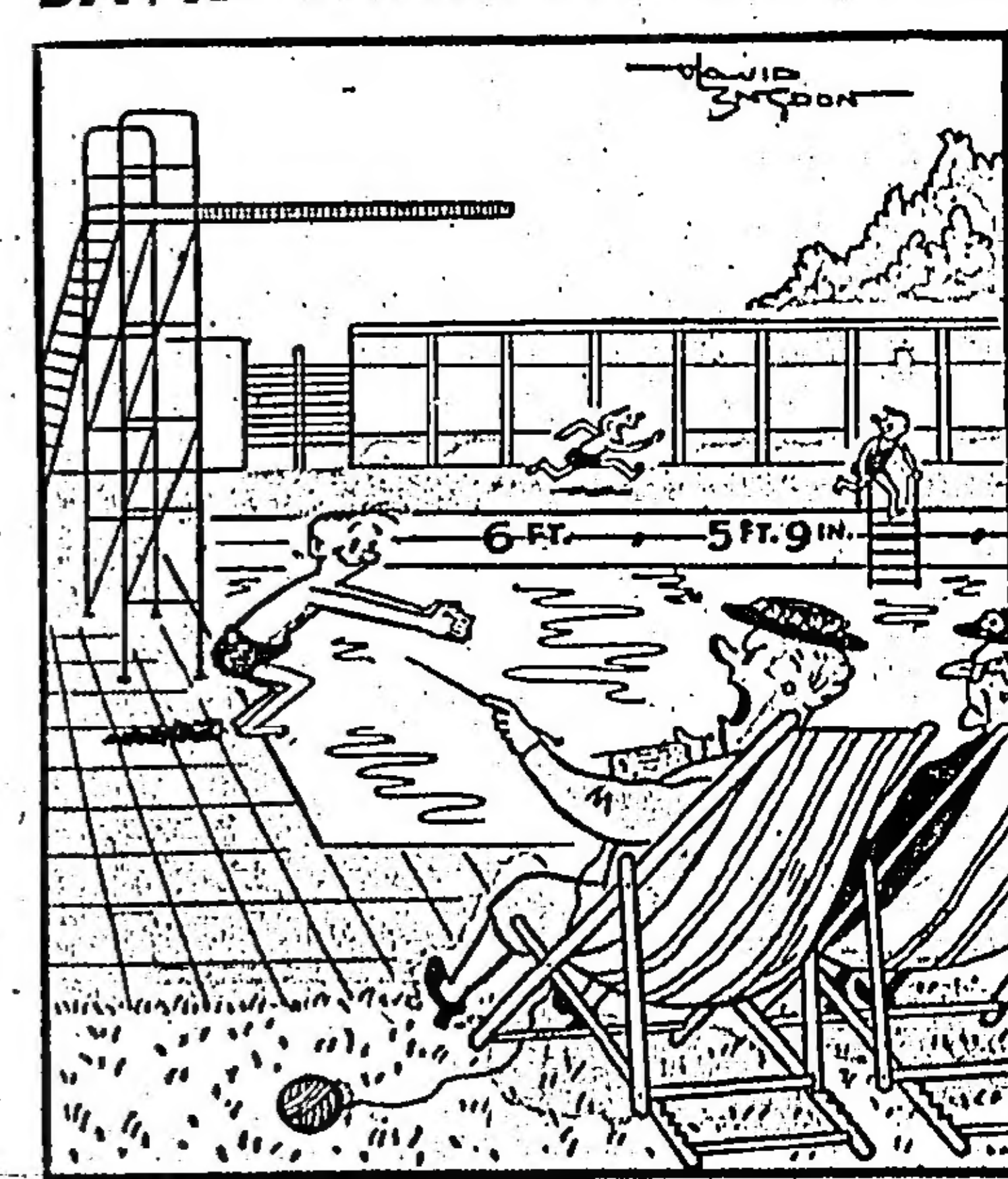
Dr Wilfrid E. Shute of Guelph, Ontario, co-discoverer of the Vitamin E treatment for heart disease, has appealed publicly for a millionaire philanthropist—preferably a Canadian—to provide funds for further work on the discovery.

The Vitamin E treatment has "a record of recorded improvements all over the world," he told a large Toronto audience.

Physicians in all parts of the world are now applying the treatment with good results, and the implications for the future were, he said, tremendous.

A measure of the use to which the medical profession was putting the Vitamin E discoveries was to be found in the increased purchases of Vitamin E capsules since two years ago when he and his brother, Dr Evan Shute, and Dr Arthur Vogel, both of London, Ontario, claimed successful treatment of coronary disease.—Associated Press.

DAVID LANGDON CARTOON



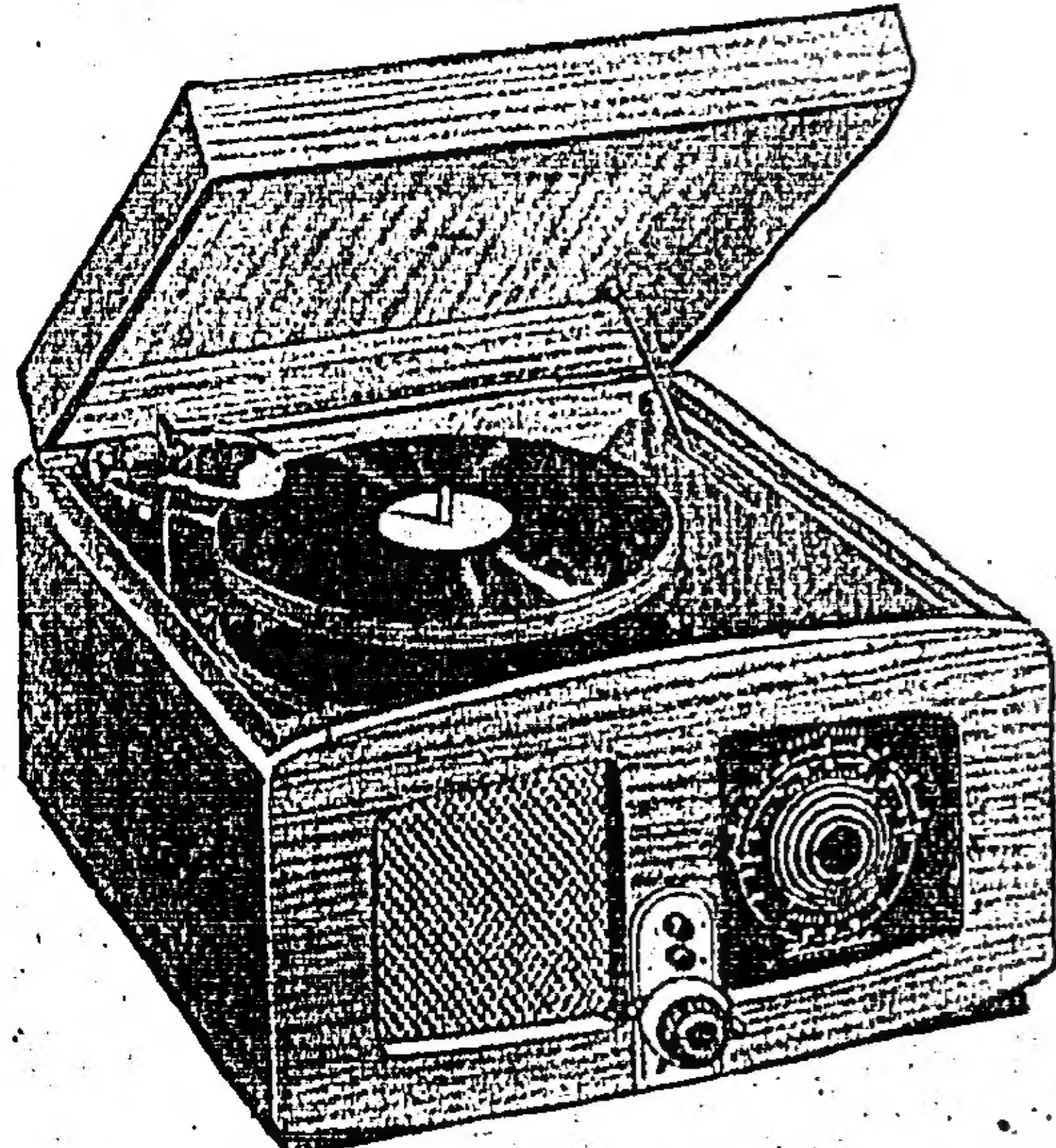
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THE WAR AGAINST CHRIST

by
BEVERLEY BAXTER, M.P.

THOSE of us who remembered the aftermath of the first world war knew that the years following the Hitler war would be hard.

The science of human and material destruction had been developed to such efficiency that the conclusion of hostilities was bound to leave Europe in semi-chaos, with a consequent psychological barrier between the old world and the unscarred continent of North America.

Yet we thought that with the lessons of the years after the Kaiser's war we would not commit the same mistakes.

The nations had bought experience at a bitter price in the period that followed 1918, and it was not credible that no lessons had been learned.

WORLD TODAY

An assessment

The truth remains, however, that the world is in a far worse condition today than it was in 1920.

Who is there, no matter how optimistic, who can say that these five statements are not a true assessment of the story of mankind in the year 1947?

1 In two world wars we

saw the dull, sordid cruelty of the Dark Ages superseded by a scientific savagery which destroyed the souls of the wicked and the bodies of the helpless.

2 Great advance was

made in the healing sciences, but nothing comparable to the development of weapons for taking life.

3 There was a splendid

and heroic battle by the civilised peoples of the world against the new barbarians, but when the threat of war was gone the unity of the victorious nations ceased to exist.

4 In a world where some

nations were over-producers and others were under-consumers, the wit of man failed to create the means of distribution.

5 Even victory did not

end the growing indifference to the teachings of God, or curb the increasing materialistic worship of the State.

Recently, I sat with a book on a hill overlooking the sea. The fields behind were rich with corn and the trees were laden with fruit.

The good earth has not turned against its master's nor does the sun bargain for its services. The only enemy of man is man. That is as true today as when our forebears lived in caves.

REJECT GOD

The Kremlin faith

Let us be perfectly blunt. The one nation that is making progress today is Russia.

The Bolsheviks in their revolution set out to end what they denounced as the superstitious worship of God, and to substitute for it the worship of the State.

In effect, they destroyed the cathedral and exalted the factory.

It is not accepted that man was created in the image of God or that the body is holy because it is the temple of the spirit.

Their only religion is materialism, stark, uncompromising materialism, and there is no mercy for the non-believers within their sphere of influence. But it must not be thought that this philosophy was conceived in the November revolution.

Voltaire's savage ridicule of the Church helped to inaugurate the era of pure reason which culminated in the French Revolution.

Machiavelli was the tutor to Mussolini. Bismarck, with his creed of force, made Hitler's Germany inevitable.

The war against Christ never stops.

His life and His teachings have always been a challenge to every despot and every tyrant.

That is why Nazism, Fascism and Communism proclaimed the gospel of materialism as the highest expression of man's destiny. Socialism, though less blatant, also works towards the lessening of man's stature and man's divinity.

In all these political creeds it is the State which is deified.

TRADE CHAIN

Built up by Russia

But why is Russia making progress?

Because she is binding the satellite countries to her with a ruthless disregard of human liberty and elementary justice, rewarding the sycophant while imprisoning or executing those who stand in her way.

But Russia is not so foolish as to believe that creating fear is enough. She is building up the economic life of the nations which are chained to her.

No wonder Moscow laughs at the spectacle of the Western Powers, the great free democracies, bargaining and haggling over the problems of mutual aid and multilateral trade.

Politicians have talked of the United States of Europe for more than 50 years, but Russia is creating an Eastern Customs Union while the democracies talk.

Whether we like it or not the leadership of the world is going to come from the East or the West, for the isolationism of the U.S.S.R. has killed the United Nations as the isolationism of the U.S.A. killed the League of Nations.

If world leadership comes from the East then we shall have a century of Communist godless materialism.

If it comes from the West there is still a hope that Christian civilisation will survive.

The latter cannot be accomplished by idealism alone, but it cannot be accomplished without it. Common sense and common decency alike demand that we recognise the truth of these words.

Otherwise we shall be the faltering, unending allies of those who are conducting the war against Christ.

U.S. PRICE

Disruption of Empire

It is hard to write of America without seeming ungrateful or sycophantic, but it is time that we spoke what is in our minds.

The impulse behind the American Loan was generous, but the terms were harsh.

From the time that America entered the war we fought side by side with the understanding that there would be equality of sacrifice. Lease-Lend was an expression of that, and it dignified the whole sordid business of war.

Yet there could be no real equality of sacrifice, for we were not only being bombed but impoverished, while America was immune from attack and was being enriched.

One of the reasons why the 1945 General Election was a disaster was that it brought an ideological clash between the U.S.A. and ourselves, but even so, America should not have ended Lease-Lend until we had completed our change-over from war to peace production.

It is true that the loan followed, and, wisely used, it could have done much to put us on our feet, but why should America have demanded as her price the economic disruption of the Empire and the convertibility of sterling?

America should not have asked such terms, but equally they should not have been accepted by the British Government or the British Parliament, including those of my own party who failed to vote against it. America's position is not a simple one.

She cannot accept imports which will balance her vast exports, but as a creditor nation she can learn from Canada, whose practical generosity towards Britain during the war and since has been as warming as the sun.

In ordinary life there is a growing recognition that poverty should not exist in the midst of plenty.

Since the destruction of wealth is meaningless and profitless, the alternative is to destroy poverty. That should be the aim of every nation within its own frontiers.

But if that applies to communities it is just as true of the community of nations. If Western civilisation is to survive it cannot do so on a basis of half rich and half bankrupt.

Therefore there is a dual responsibility for America and Britain as the two great pillars of democracy.

America, the supreme creditor and banker, must help other countries to develop their resources and trade until the raising of their standard of living enables them to prosper and to absorb American imports without becoming slaves to the American dollar. We, on our part, must cultivate our garden, the mighty Empire of nations which has twice saved the world from slavery.

In doing so we shall regain our strength and help to the recovery of the whole world.

Then, and only then, will Christendom be able to check and turn back the godless materialism of Communism.

It is difficult to mix economics with religion, without incurring the charge of insincerity, but I deeply believe that until we turn again to the Sermon on the Mount we shall not lead ourselves out of the darkness.

THE TEST

Do we accept, or not?

Even if we look on Christ's words as no more than an inspired expression of political philosophy for the government of man, what a different Europe there would be today if Germany had learned that the merciful are blessed because they shall obtain mercy.

What a different world it would have been after the first world war if debts had been forgiven.

How changed the picture would be if Russia would believe that the peacemakers are blessed and shall be called the children of God.

The extent to which the world has accepted Christ's teachings is the measure of human progress; the extent to which it has departed from them marks man's decline and fall.

The war against Christ never stops, and it does not permit of neutrality.



"We're through! And you can take back all your old love letters!"

Slice Of History For Sale

BY ERIC BENNETT

STANDING in the lofty 18th-century hall of Trafalgar House at Downtown, near Salisbury, recently, diminutive, bearded 87-year-old Earl Nelson said to me: "It is a wrench to part with it all, but what else can we do?"

"All" includes the magnificent 60-roomed mansion which was presented to the Nelson family by the nation, the 3,500-acre estate, and a mass of Nelson relics of incalculable value.

As the 142nd anniversary of Nelson's victory at Trafalgar was being celebrated, appeals were made to save Trafalgar House for the nation.

If the campaign fails the house which echoes the glory of Britain's greatest sailor will fall to the highest bidder.

Homeless relics

And with it may have to go the Nelson portraits and bust, the admiral's telescope, his pistols, the chair on which he sat in H.M.S. Victory, and hundreds of other historic relics which will be left without a home.

For Lord Nelson, the fifth earl, who succeeded his brother in the title in September, told me: "The estate has been run at a loss for years. My bailiff has told me that he would need another £10,000 a year to keep it going as it should be kept—and we simply have not got it."

He smiled, and added: "Excuse my clothes—I have got only two suits now, and this is my working one."

Viscount Trafalgar, 87-year-old heir to the earldom, told me: "The £5,000-a-year Nelson pension, which is worth only about £2,600 after taxes have been paid, will cease when my father dies. There is no alternative to selling."

"We offered the house to the Admiralty as a naval rest home or for a training establishment, and if they had made a fair offer we would have presented the relics free."

No use for it

"But after Lord Hall, the First Lord, had inspected it, the Admiralty said they could not use Trafalgar House."

Lord Trafalgar took me through room after room crowded with possessions of Admiral Lord Nelson. His uniforms and medals, his guns and his wine glasses, the furniture from his cabin, filled the house.

One of his service telescopes—which may have been the one he "clapped to his sightless eye" at the Battle of Copenhagen—was lying near an enchanting watercolour of Lady Hamilton by Romney.

Portraits of Nelson, of his battles, of his ancestors, looked down on the chair in which he rested before he went up to the quarter deck of the Victory on October 21, 1805.

Glass cases hold the seal he used at Copenhagen, the rings he wore, even locks of his hair.

"When we sell up, my father plans to take a small house at the seaside," Lord Trafalgar said. "I shall settle down somewhere near here and keep a few cows and hens."

The Press and the Public

BY

"Candidus"

"THAT the Press misleads the Public" was recently the subject of a debate at the YMCA. The proposer asked:

"Why is it that different papers print different versions of the same news, when what they are supposed to do is to print the facts?" Citing what he termed the "recent anti-Russian propaganda," the speaker asked if the reports represented unbiased views, and went on to glibly allege that what they (presumably the newspapers) were trying to do was to get the people to go to war.

The Press can only mislead the Public when it is controlled or muzzled by any particular political set-up, as in the case of Germany prior to the last war, or, as far as I can gather, in the case of Russia today. Democracy insists upon an unfettered Press.

The main news of the day is that conveying actual words uttered by leading international spokesmen, and no newspaper in a free country would be so foolish as to distort or vary the spoken word. A newspaper has a right (in democratic countries) to express its own particular beliefs or views, or to criticise any person or country. Even editorial views, as distinct from news, do not deal in terminological inexactitudes.

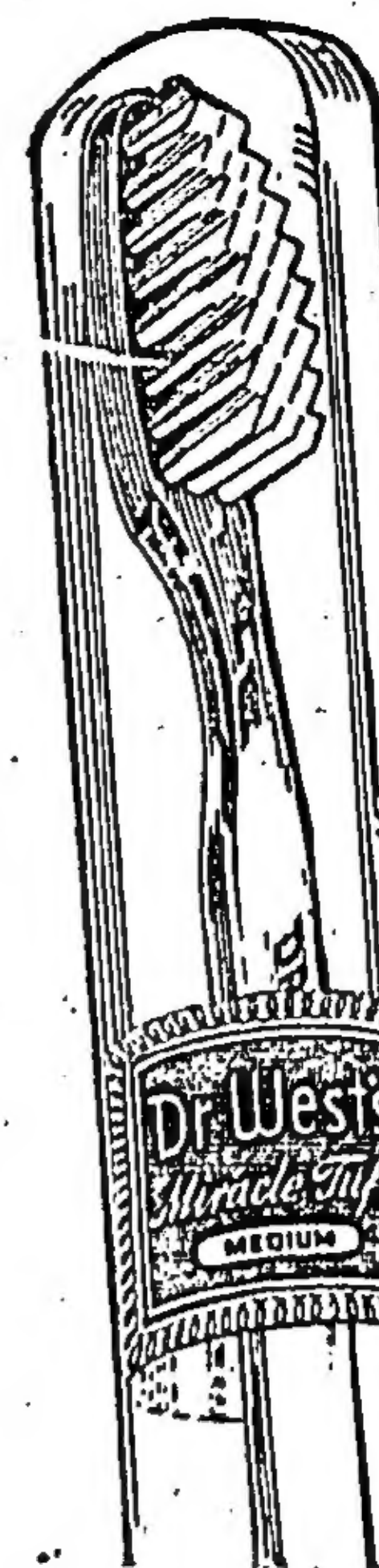
To complain about the world-wide criticism which is appearing against Russia and which must continue to appear while such unfortunate and unfriendly utterances continue to emanate from Moscow was not a convincing point to make.

THE speaker claimed that the average man, when he disagreed with the editorial policy of a newspaper, looked for another with which he did agree. A reasonable assumption in countries where newspapers are free to express independent views! He contradicted himself, however, by also asserting that no man had enough leisure to read more than one newspaper a day and was therefore influenced by that paper!

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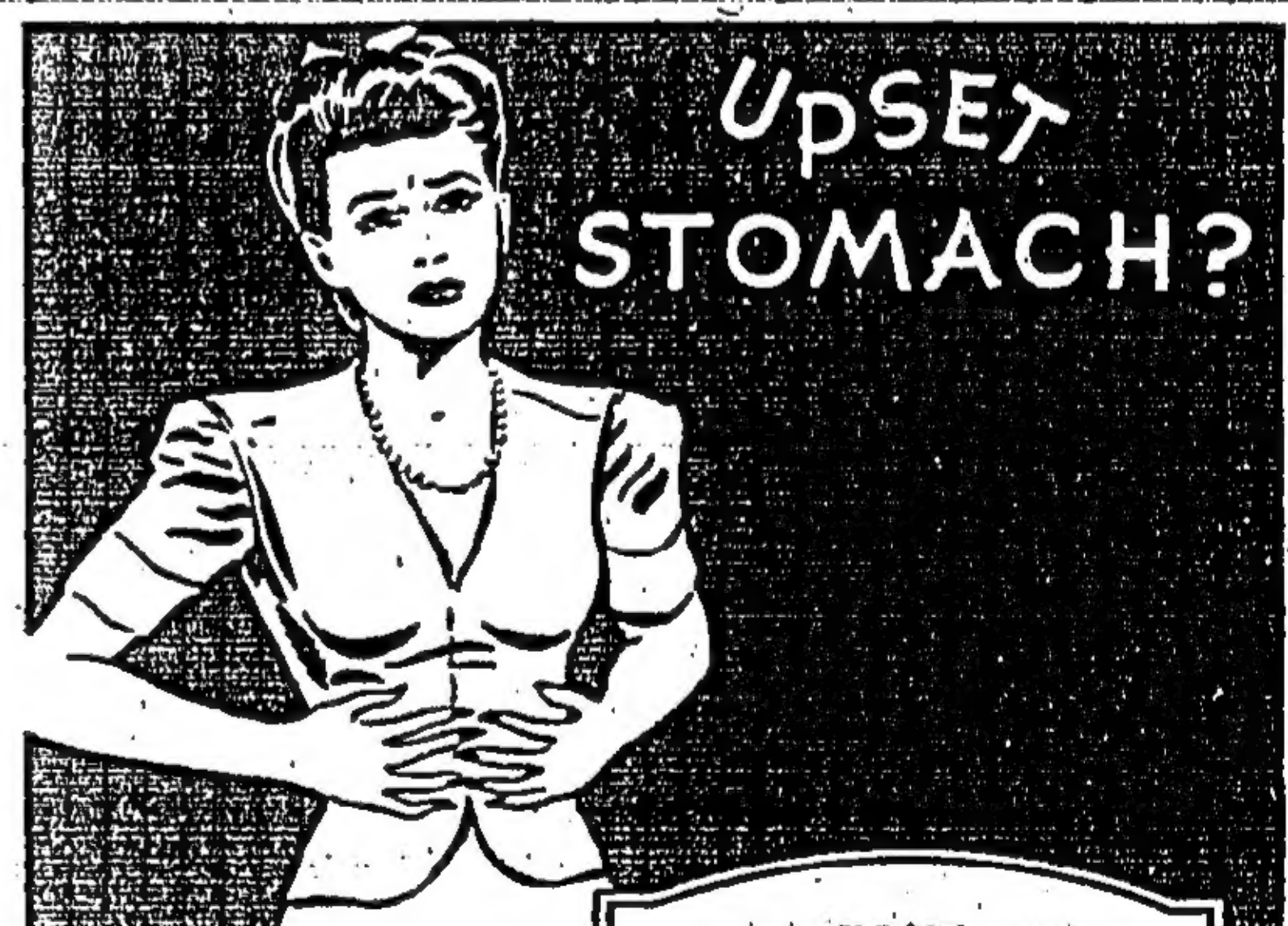
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SPORTS FEATURES

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Joe Still No. 1

When Joe Davis gave a final polish to the championship cups, then handed them back to the Billiards Association, we assumed that a new era in professional billiards was just around the corner. Instead we have a situation aptly met by the phrase: "The King is dead. Long live the King."

The world snooker championship for last season has finished and Walter Donaldson has won the title.

NOW THE FUN BEGINS

Donaldson is champion of the world. Joe Davis was champion. The retirement threatened and promised by Joe Davis that made by Sydney Wooderson in athletics.

Joe, retired undefeated champion, meets Walter, his successor, in week's play at Leicester-square Hall on December 8-13. So Davis's retirement merely takes the form of excluding two major events in each season—the championships. When he and Donaldson meet they will play on level terms.

Joe Davis remains the largest player in the world. In saying this I am not belittling the new champion. Their match should be one of the epic encounters of what promises to be a great season.

I fancy that when Joe decided to retire he had not then fully considered his position as a director of the company running the new Leicester-square Hall. Since then he has realised that the difference between making ends meet and making a profit is closely linked with the appearance of Joe Davis at the green cloth rendezvous.

Top Priority For Olympics

BRITAIN'S fastest women swimmers are giving top priority in their Olympic training schedules to the 400 metres free-style event.

ASA swimming adviser, Harry Koskie, has picked this event as best suited to 16½-year-old Cathie Gibson, Scottish and national champion, Margaret Wellington, at 21, England's fastest woman swimmer; and 17-year-old Margaret Linton, Welsh free-style champion and record holder.

Target is to cover the quarter mile faster than the American indoor champion, Ann Curtis. The American has this year swum the distance in 5min. 7.8sec.—3.8sec. faster than the world's record, and should break the Olympic record of 5min. 26.4sec. set by Rita Maassenbroek, of the Netherlands, in 1936.

HIGH KICKING

Also to be reckoned with is Karen Harup, of Denmark. She did some high kicking to win the European 400 metres in 5min. 18.2sec., with Cathie Gibson fast gaining on her. Cathie's time of 5min. 19.8sec. was six seconds slower than her best.

Margaret Wellington won her heat unchallenged in Monte Carlo; but the final placings were judged on times, so that she had no chance to show what she could do when pressed.

Margaret Linton, a comparative newcomer to this distance, was not there, but Koskie thinks concentrated winter training will greatly improve her first trial time at 5min. 43sec.

There are other British swimmers training for the Olympic quarter. One doing slightly better time than the Welsh girl is Molly Tancock, of Weston-super-Mare. She has improved steadily since her first Nationals last year.

Softball Chatter By "Spectator"

Sportsmanship Taken To Its Limit

The Amazing Madcaps-Recs Affair

Sportsmanship at any cost was demonstrated—commendable, no doubt, but perhaps unnecessarily stretched to breaking point—by the Recreio team in their game against Madcaps last Sunday which, ironically, they lost by a one-run margin.

A highly controversial judgment by the Chief Umpire of the South China-Hall Club from—resulting in a near "walk-out" by players who were on the wrong end—turned the tables on the Chinese at the eleventh hour to give their opponents victory.

Unsettled Recs, who first withdrew from the League, then re-entered, showed more lack of organization when they could not field a side and forfeited the points to the Canadians.

In the remaining men's encounter, St. Joseph's could afford "fooling about," as they did, to easily account for V. R. C. Doc Melthen's Wildcats unceremoniously inflicted a 20-0 whitewash on the rookie Beas from Madcapville who, however, did try all the way.

A most peculiar incident was enacted in the Rec-Madcap tussle, the decision of which hung in the balance until the last out. Chief actor was Umpire Robbie Robbings and sharing honours in feature roles were the respective managers, Madcap's Eddie Marques and Recreio's Eddie Marques.

The stage with the first of the fourth frame, Madcaps were leading 3-1. Three runs were already scored. It gave Recs the vital lead. But it was not to be. Why? Well, try to beat this: The third run in this eventful stanza was not to count although Recs had finished their turn at bat and were going out to field. Rec Gussy Pereira's bunt resulted in his being called out for a runner touching a fairly batted ball in fair territory. The ball was dead, but Leo Vieira had crossed the plate for that third run. This run had counted. Two plays were made; subsequently run ended. The tally should not have been counted if there and then there had been an appeal from the Madcap camp, as Umpire Robbings did admit he did not notice things. But there was no appeal until the Recs were going to the field. When Robbings was approached by Marques, the former suggested that play was to be restarted from where his error occurred. Rec's Gonsalves agreed, so that third leading run was erased. Can you beat that!

UNORTHODOX DECISION

There was no necessity for agreeing to replaying in that most unorthodox manner. Disagreement does not mean unsportsmanship which apparently was in Gonsalves' mind and if he did agree to play, if the umpire requested, he should have done so under protest and in all those circumstances there is little question that his protest would be upheld.

Not for a moment are the Madcaps blamed for bad sportsmanship. They were slow in appealing against an oversight in allowing that third run to count in the first place and would have suffered whether they liked it or not. But Marques got away with it fairly and squarely in still bringing up the matter at such a late stage.

Gonsalves' agreeing to have a runner changed in the second of the last count when the game was tied at four-all was another overemphasis of sportsmanship. There was apparently nothing wrong with Maurice Verlesyn as he reached first on a bingle. But obviously there was something in the air when fleet-footed, established cushion robber Robbie Rochea substituted. And it so happened that by some preliminary highly speedy, heady travelling along the base paths, Robbie came in with the deciding tally. Again Eddie Marques, of the Madcaps, got away with it. He had every right to ask for a substitute runner even if he knew Verlesyn was fit as a fiddle. It was up to Gonsalves to refuse but he did not. And so that is as near as possible the story as sportsmanship-addicted Recreio went home with a heart-rending defeat in their system.

HOW GAME WENT

Recreio opened up in the first of the second frame when likable Leo Vieira smashed a masterpiece of a grounder to pierce through the whole Madcap defence for a homer. Leo gave a sterling display all round, diving headlong on more than one occasion to save near

hits. Madcaps replied immediately with a high-power three-run re-act. Robert Verlesyn reached first on an error. Sherry Hamet singled and Kelly Silva-Netto's controlled hoist to right was made a hit by slow-starting Rec right fielder. Initial Madcap run could have been scored at this play but for unenterprising base running. Bases full, Young Sabu Samy came off with a timely safety which saw two Madcaps across the home plate. The third Madcap tally came on the wings of Kelly Silva-Netto, pushed in on a sacrifice.

Gerry Gossano binged to break the Recs into the scoring column again in that eventful fourth. A safely bunt and Dickie Alves was at the initial station. A nicely placed dump by Tony Alves failed to give him passage safely but was instrumental in advancing Gerry and Dickie to third and second respectively. Leo Vieira came into prominence once again, hitting out a stinging two-bagger to score in two free markers, equalising the score at three-all. Then Gussy Pereira got himself out by batting a ball into territory and running into it. Leo Vieira scored however for the 4-3 lead. Two Recreios came in and were dismissed and the stanza ended. Then the delayed appeal, the peculiar replay and out of the confusion emerged the score reverted to 3-3.

The losers did not score in the next two cantos but in the last of the fifth Madcaps tallied once to get in front again. Maurice Verlesyn's powerful double scored in Robbie Rochea. The score was 4-3. Madcaps led.

In less than a fortnight Lien Hwa, the Malayan Chinese team, will be on show again in Hongkong. Their visit to Shanghai will enable them to get together more as a team which means they may be still more formidable. It was the Sing Tao team work which almost beat Lien Hwa on Wednesday and the Malayan were very conscious of that. Sing Tao were on their mettle from the first note of the referee's whistle, with the result that their opponents were not given the same scope as they enjoyed in their Sunday's match against Hongkong.

There is one women's game to be played this afternoon starting at three. Madcap Bees will take on Wahos with these Three Blind Mice and Billy Spares. Wilfred Lawrence and Tony Gonsalves. Popular Bees will probably take another drubbing.

Tomorrow's full card of four men's matches and one women's are featured by the first test of ability of Bill Woo's pennant-chasing Canadians against the slugging Filipinos. The Canadians' big problem is their pitcher, although they have the best in Herbie Quon who, however, appears to be not in trim yet. However, leadman Bill can rely on the old-timer moundman Kansa Nazarin and there is Dr. G. C. Lee always ready to go. Hard-hitting Filipinos may yet upset the uncertain Canadian defence.

The lit-bit of the programme, however, is the game between St. Joseph's and the now formidable Madcaps. I expect the Saints to redeem themselves from their defeat by Recs recently. Madcaps' fielding does not warrant confidence, while Saints' big guns should come off this time—well, it's about time!

WOMEN'S MATCH

Another bevy of cuties is to be on view when Chieftain Ace Mar leads her Maple Leafs to battle against Madcap Aces. This should be a struggle, although the Aces have shown themselves to know their stuff. It is expected that Margie Xavier will do mound duties for the Madcaps with courageous Teresa Baptista on the receiving end—off the latter's beauty of a black eye from a foul tip in her last game is not in the way. The Ace team can be improved by some changes, but it's coach Eddie Marques' move, so we'll see.

Mary Ng (it was Mary Louie, remember?) has demonstrated in previous days that she is pitcher of class and is still doing service for the Canadians. Alice Mar has not decided on the line-up yet but those certain on the side to form a useful backbone are Jean Lee, a dynamic shortstop, Ullan Koo, Marilana Young, May Bunn and Mavis Bunn.



Here is the Buffs' senior football team, doing duty in the first division of the League. Reading left to right from the back they are: Cpl. Jensen, Pte. Cunningham, Pte. Vushway, Pte. Bunting, Pte. Walsh, Pte. Willis, Major Majendie, Pte. Elliot, Pte. Pearce, Cpl. Andreassen and Cpl. Paderesen.

SOCCER RETURNS TO NORMAL

Several Interesting Weekend Games

(BY "SEE TEE")

After packing four programmes play into a short space of five days, local football returns to normal today. There are three senior league matches and three tomorrow, with the usual quota of second division games.

The Royal Air Force meet the Club this afternoon at Sookunpoo and hope to be able to field their strongest side since they lost heavily to Chinese Athletic at the end of September.

Although the meeting of Sing Tao and South China has not the same attraction as last season, when these were the two premier Chinese clubs, tomorrow's game will draw a large crowd to the Club Ground. Junior Sing Tao-South China games are also being fought out at the Navy Ground and at the Club Ground to-morrow.

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NO GOALMOUTH FINISH

There were moments in Wednesday's game when the Malayan Chinese seemed to be strung together like beads, with the ball running easily amongst them, but the same lack of goalmouth finish as was evident on Sunday, snapped the whole thing near goal.

The reason that Sing Tao (and a weakened Sing Tao touring side at that) were able to do so well against Lien Hwa was largely a matter of team work. There was an understanding in the Sing Tao team which was sadly lacking from the Hongkong eleven on Sunday. Although the Sing Tao attack was a little lop-sided without its star outside left, (Lau Chung-sang was never happy as a left wingman) the rest of the line sparkled well.

To my mind the display of Chu Wing-cheung at centre forward was something of a revelation. Chu was usually to be found in that part of the field where a centre forward should be. The result was that he was a constant source of anxiety to the Lien Hwa defence, for, after whipping home the first goal of the match in fine style, the Malayans felt he was a man to be marked. Chu will be seen at centre forward a few more times, I think.

There will be a big master at the Police Ground to see the Buffs play their second league match this afternoon, again opposed by one of the best Chinese teams. Last Saturday they gave Sing Tao a bit of a fright by holding a 2-1 lead for a long period. Defensive and half back weakness in the second half brought about the Buffs' failure in this match, which they lost 4-2. Against Sing Tao they tended to play the Chinese at their own game: a more open style of football would have paid a better dividend.

OLYMPIC POSSIBLE

Wednesday's second meeting of Sing Tao tourists and Lien Hwa placed before the local public twenty-two Chinese players, of whom many must be considered as "possibles" for the 17-China Olympic Games. Caught the eye with some very sound play, most outstanding was Hau Yung-sang, Sing Tao's right back (now with Kitchee). Hau's right foot is still improving. His left is completely overshadowed by it. He

can make a good clearance with his left foot, even under pressure, but it is not to be compared with the fine action of the other leg. That Hau is able to kick a ball so hard, particularly on the volley, is due in part to his "follow-through" action. His foot does not stab at the ball, it hits it and follows on in its track. It is this follow-through action which maintains the rhythm of the kick. It's worth watching.

The lively little Malayan inside left, Chin Bean-leung, attracted quite a lot of notice again. His lack of height and weight are atoned for largely by his excellent footwork with the ball, and his excellent footwork which made him very much a shadow on Wednesday. When Chia starts dancing around the burly Shanghai full backs during the next few days there's going to be some fun.

It was a pity that pretty fouling should have marred Wednesday's game: it was difficult to place how, when and where it all began. Rivalry between the two teams was pretty keen and the players' keenness was sharpened a little by the tense atmosphere among the bulk of the crowd. It definitely affected the players. On Sunday it was quite a different match altogether. Nevertheless, the Lien Hwa players will be just as glad to be playing in Hongkong again the week after next as we shall be to see them again.

RAF v. CLUB PROSPECTS

The RAF hope to be able to field something approaching their strongest eleven in the two matches they are scheduled to play this weekend. Several of their regular first eleven men have been away from the Colony since late September, and although the Airman have had several interesting matches, they have not been quite so successful as they could have been. One of their liveliest matches was that in which they beat the Inniskillings 6-3 on October 25. Their strengthened eleven should be a good match for the Club today. There should be some interesting duels between Sewell, the RAF centre forward and Fowler, the Club pivot. Another interesting clash will be that of Fowler, the RAF outside right with Sowley, the RAF left back.

Princess Elizabeth's wedding day (next Thursday) will be marked by a grand match in a new soccer tournament. The Victory Shield competition, between teams representing the United Services on the one hand and the Combined Chinese, on the other, is a new trophy (to be presented by the Hongkong FA) inaugurated to mark the victory of the allies in World War II. The tournament is on a "home" and "away" basis: next Thursday's match which kicks-off on the Navy Ground at 4.30 p.m. is the United Services' home match. Later the two sides will meet on a ground selected by the Combined Chinese. If two games are not sufficient to decide the competition a third may be played.

Next Thursday's game will be interesting from several viewpoints, not the least being that it is on the cards that the Malayan Chinese will play a United Services team and a Combined Hongkong Chinese team when they return to the Colony.

SPORTS DIARY FOR THE WEEKEND

TO-DAY

Football—1st Div.

Police—Athletic v. Buffs, 4.30 p.m.
Navy—Navy v. Kitchee, 4.30 p.m.
Sookunpoo—Club v. RAF, 4.30 p.m.

Second Division "A"

Sookunpoo—RAOC v. Police, 3 p.m.
Navy—Navy v. HQLE, 3 p.m.
Caroline Hill—Kitchee v. S. China, 3 p.m.
Valley—Dockyard v. St. Joseph's, 4.30 p.m.

Second Division "B"

Valley—Club v. Electric, 3 p.m.
Police—RASC v. Athletic, 3 p.m.

Cricket

HKCC—"Ancient Lights" v. "Younger Elements," 2 p.m.
KCC—KCC v. University, 2 p.m.
Craigengower—CCC v. HMS Tamar, 2 p.m.

Tennis

CRC—Exhibition matches, 3.30 p.m.
Canavaro v. Tsai, Ho-fai, Wong Miao-sung v. Wu Sung-kong, Tsai and Wu v. Canavaro and Wong.

Lawn Bowls

Recreio—Final Interport match, Shanghai v. Hongkong, 3 p.m.

Softball

CBA Ground—Madcaps "B" v. Wahos, 3 p.m.

SUNDAY

Football—1st Div.

Navy—Kwong Wah v. RAF, 4.30 p.m.
Club—Sing Tao v. S. China, 4.30 p.m.

Police—Police v. St. Joseph's, 4.30 p.m.

Second Division "A"

Club—Eastern v. K. Motor Bus, 3 p.m.
Valley—WD Chinese v. Taikeo, 3 p.m.

Second Division "B"

Navy—S. China v. Sing Tao, 3 p.m.
Sookunpoo—RAMC v. REME, 3 p.m.
Sookunpoo—Chinese Cadre v. RA, 4.30 p.m.

Cricket

KCC—Kowloon XI v. Shanghai Interport XI, 11 a.m.
Craigengower—CCC v. Navy, 2 p.m.

Lawn Tennis

CRC—Exhibition matches, 3.30 p.m.
Canavaro v. Wu, Tsai v. Wong.

Tsai and Wong v. Canavaro and Wu.

Softball

CBA Ground—Canadians v. Fillipinos, 9.30 a.m.; Madcaps v. Saints, 11.15 a.m.; VRC v. Rovers, 1 p.m.; Madcaps Aces v. Canadians, 2.30 p.m.; Recreio v. Baseball Club, 4 p.m.

Britain Can't Stage Winter Olympics

Next summer London puts on the 12th Olympic Games. People are asking why London was not given the winter Olympics too. Unless an Olympic rule is altered this country will never see this part of the Games.

The British Ice Hockey Association did ask for the ice hockey and skating to take place in London next January and February; but the Olympic winter events cannot be a split and must be allocated to a country with facilities for skiing and bob-sledding. Changing the rule would cause too many complications, so we shall have to continue sending teams abroad in search of these Olympic honours.

Next best to the Olympics are the world championship series, which we had ten years ago. Next year's event will be incorporated in the Olympic Games; and Paris is the likely venue for 1950. It will be 1950 at the earliest before Londoners will have their second view of these championships.

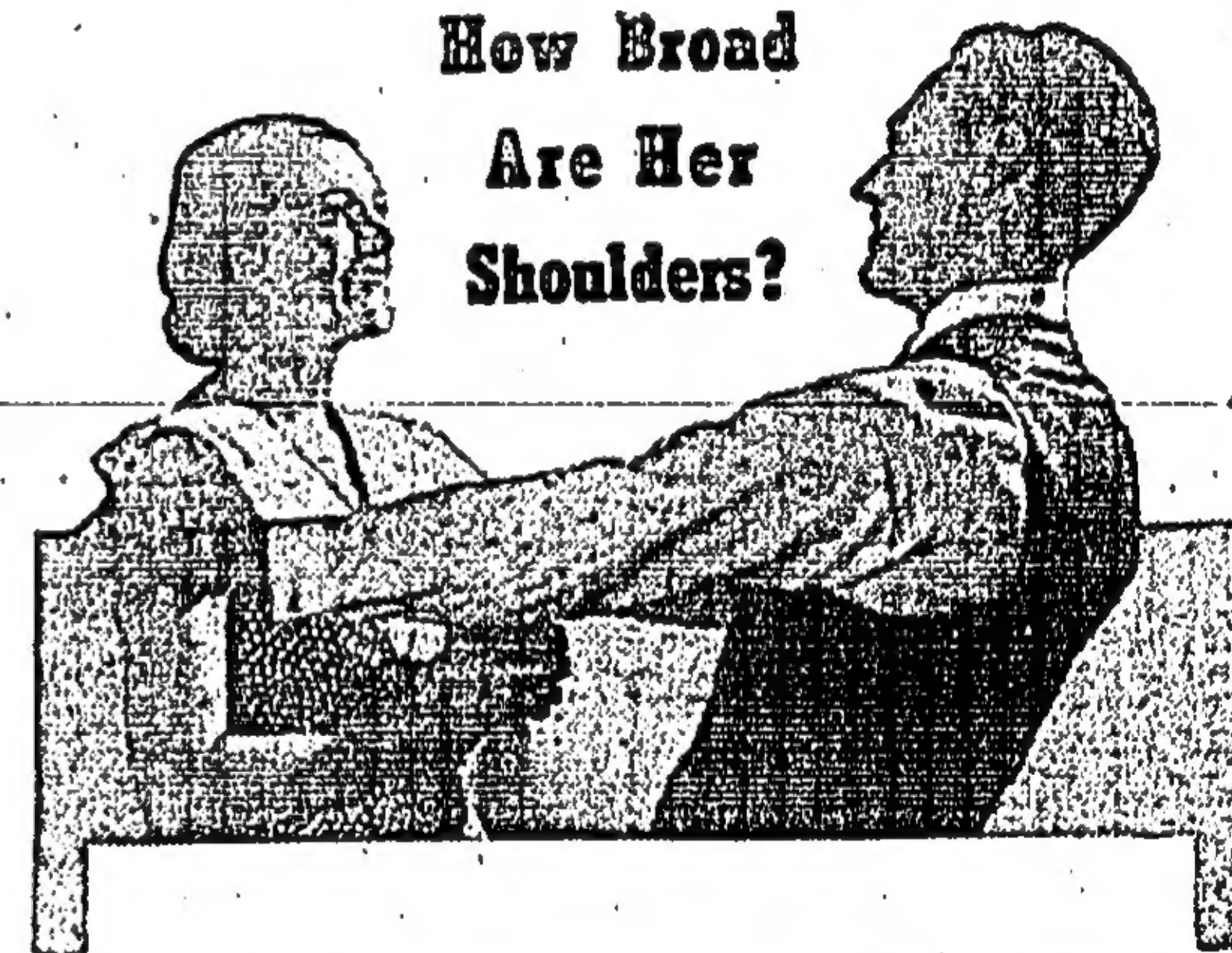
English and Scottish selectors are busy with trials for the British Olympic team. Each country will conduct its own trials to produce a team of possibilities. England will then meet Scotland in a final trial series of four games, two in Scotland and two in London.

FINDING A COACH

It is hoped to announce the names of the 16 players for St. Moritz by the end of December, so that further training can be arranged for the team before they leave for Switzerland in late January.

The problem of selecting a coach will not be easy. Percy Nicklin, who coached our team to a triple victory in the 1936 Olympics at Garmisch, will not be available, but has promised assistance during training. It would not be surprising if the job went to "Sandy" Archer, who recently resigned his post with Nottingham and is now a free-lance.

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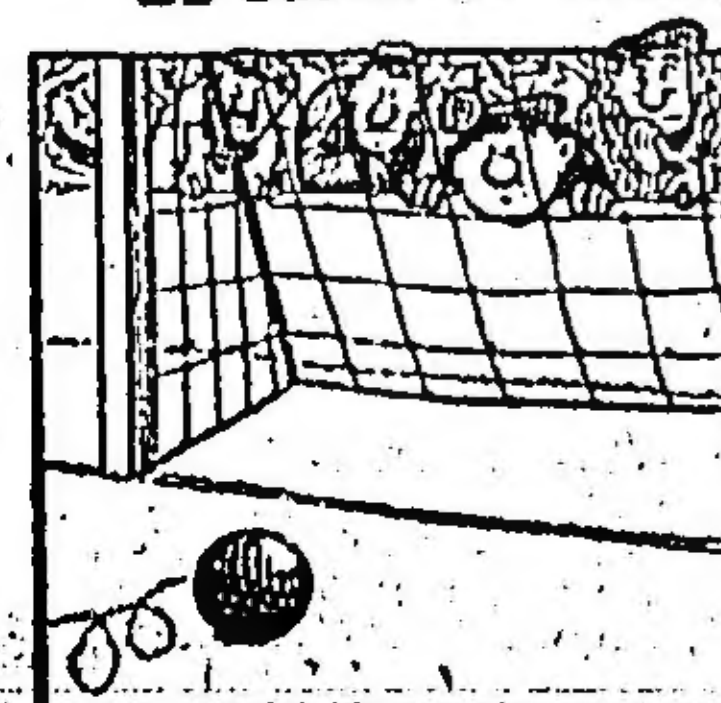
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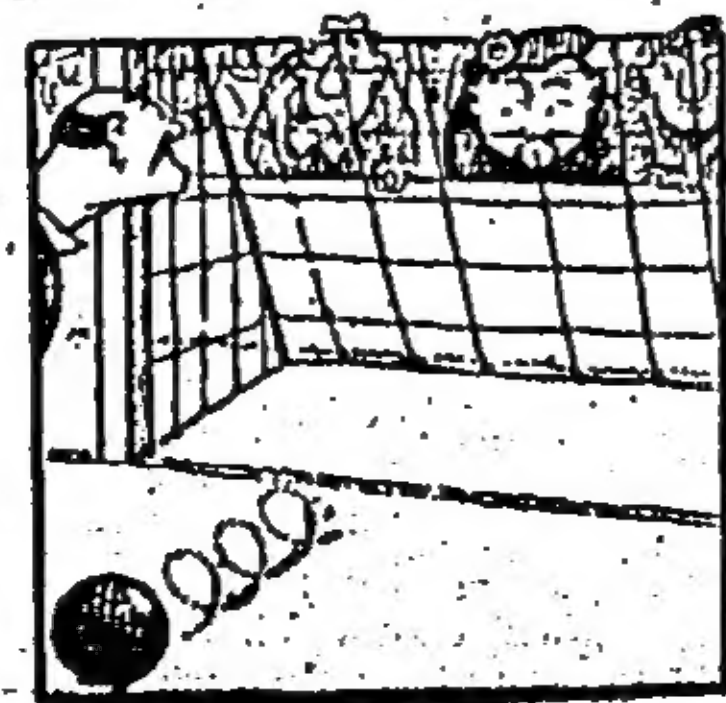
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1. If you were coming through the Panama Canal from the Pacific to the Caribbean your direction would be roughly—
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2. A matterjack is—
Soap-box orator, kind of toad, discontented sailor, night-jar?
3. Would the Chancellor of the Exchequer prefer a billion—
Dollars, francs or pennies?
4. Who are these wives of famous men?



5. Which football clubs play on these grounds—
Fratton Park, The Valley, Roker Park, 160oz Stadium, Den?
6. Can you name the first London omnibus proprietor? He—
Lost a fortune carrying the living, regained it by carrying the dead.
7. What have these books in common—
Nabokov's "Invitation of a Beheading," Wilde's "De Profundis," Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress," Hitler's "Mein Kampf"?
8. If a person really talks drive he should—
Speak without thinking, talk fast, slobber, keep his tongue in his cheek?
9. Where in Europe do wild monkeys live—
Sicily, Gibraltar, Swiss Alps, Dolomites?
10. According to Johnson, what is the noblest prospect a Scotsman ever sees—
Edinburgh, Castle Road to the Isles, high road to England, banks of the Clyde?

More Pilots For U. S. Air Force

The United States Air Force has revealed plans to triple its pilot training programme.
The expanded programme will increase the number of aviation cadets from 1,000 to at least 3,000 during 1948. This is expected to add about 2,000 flying officers to the Air Force each year.—Associated Press.

Truth about 'luxury homes' of Ministers

by GWYN LEWIS

MR HERBERT MORRISON is the latest Socialist Minister to scotch a rumour that he has bought a house costing thousands of pounds. The whisper going round was that he had paid £18,000 for a 20-roomed house at Chislehurst, Kent.

Mr Morrison's denial follows on a public denial by Mr Shinwell that he had bought a large house in Surrey, and a £3,000 mink coat for his wife.

Mr Aneurin Bevan's spokesman at the Ministry of Health has also had to deny that the Minister exercised requisitioning powers to obtain a house.

Mystery rumours

It is a mystery how these rumours originate. But here is a typical example in a letter to the Sunday Express by a woman giving a Lancashire town as her address. She writes:—

"It has come to my knowledge that Mr H. Morrison has acquired a house in its own grounds on the outskirts of London for £15,000; also that Mr Aneurin Bevan has requisitioned a house in London from its occupier under the pretext of the Ministry of Health requiring it.

"I learned from hearsay that he himself is living there with a butler in attendance."

Last night this was another letter received from Wales:—

"Is it the case that Mr Aneurin Bevan inhabits a requisitioned house in Belgrave-square, staffed and furnished at the taxpayers' expense?

"Is it the case that at the time of the acute national fuel shortage last March Mr Aneurin Bevan instructed the Office of Works to install an electric heater in his lavatory for his personal comfort?"

The statements made are as baseless as the rumours about Mr Morrison's house. What does a survey of the homes of our rulers reveal?

Premier's home

MR ATTLEE, as all the world know lives at No. 10, Downing-street, with week-ends at his official residence, Chequers, at Wendover, in the Chiltern Hills of Buckinghamshire.

When he became Prime Minister he was living in a substantial detached house at Stanmore, Middlesex one of London's outer suburbs. He sold the house for more than £3,000 to a neighbour on moving to Downing-street.

MR HUGH DALTON lives next door to him now at No. 11, Downing-street, the Chancellor's official residence. His only other residence is a country cottage at Aldbourne, near Salisbury, which he built 10 years ago.

MR ERNEST BEVIN and MR A. V. ALEXANDER make use of the residential "perks" to which their office entitles them.

The Foreign Secretary lives rent free in a new flat at No. 1, Carlton-gardens, close to the Foreign Office.

It was prepared for his occupation at a cost of £16,500; beneath are spacious official entertaining rooms. He had previously lived in a modest flat in Kensington.

MR ALEXANDER, Minister of Defence, continues to use the official flat; he occupied at the Admiralty as First Lord, but has given part of it to VISCOUNT HALL, who succeeded him as First Lord. Mr Alexander and his wife have lived in the flat for eight years.

'Millionaires' Row

Wealthy MR R. G. STRAUSS, Minister of Supply, lives as he has lived for years in a large house in Kensington Palace-gardens, which is known as "Millionaires' Row."

But he is one of the country's very rich men.
SIR HARTLEY SHAWCROSS, the Attorney-General, has a small flat in Tufnell-court, S.W., but he is more often to be found at his Sussex farm, with its pedigree stock, near Lewes. The house has been modernised.

MR HERBERT MORRISON lives in suburban Egham, S.E., where he has a modest villa in Archery-road. He paid less than

£1,000 for it in 1925. Until his recent breakdown in health one of his week-end tasks was to mow the lawn.

MR ANEURIN BEVAN and his wife, Jennie Lee, share an unpretentious house with their "in-laws" in Cliveden-place, off Sloane-square S.W.

They have no servants, Jennie and her mother doing all the housework. They have also a cottage in the country.

MR SHINWELL, like Morrison, is a suburbanite. He lives in a detached villa in Beechcroft-road, Tooting, S.W. Mrs Shinwell keeps house and still washes her own doorsteps.

VISCOUNT ADDISON, Lord Privy Seal, occupies a small service flat at Duncan House, Dolphin-square. Rents in this vast popular London block of flats are of the order of £350 a year.

He also has a home at Radnage, near West Wycombe, Buckinghamshire.

The Lord Chancellor, LORD JOWITT, sold for £30,000 his Tudor house, with 240 acres, at Wiltshire, Kent, and gave up his flat in Marsham-court, Westminster, to live with his wife and child at the official residence in the House of Lords. This is a five-roomed flat.

MR CHUTER EDE, the Home Secretary, continues to live in the style of a small-town magistrate at Tayles Court, Ewell, Surrey, of which county he is a J.P.

Union's gift

When MR GEORGE ISAACS was a printers' trade union executive his union bought him a small house in Wolsley-road, East Molesey. As Minister of Labour he still lives there.

It is an eight-roomed detached house. They employ a charwoman three times a week, and once a month Mr Isaacs takes his wife to the local cinema.

MR HAROLD WILSON, the new President of the Board of Trade, lives with his parents by the Thames in a flat at Richmond. It has five small rooms.

The family also have a house at Oxford. Mr Wilson has a wife and one child.

Minister of State MR HECTOR MCNEIL lives in Hampstead, where he has a modest flat in an old-fashioned house in Primrose-gardens.

MR LEWIS SILKIN, in charge of Town and Country Planning, lives among the doctors and surgeons in Cavendish-square W., where he has a flat. He also has another flat at the Ministry offices in St James's-square, S.W. Officials say he rents it.

A small flat

MR P. J. NOEL-BAKER, Minister for Cornwall and Wales, pays rent to Lord Cecil of Chelwood for the use of part of his house in South Eaton-place, S.W.

MR TOM WILLIAMS, Minister of Agriculture, rents a small flat in Whitehall-court, S.W., where he has as neighbour SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS, Bernard Shaw has a flat in this block of buildings, which lies behind the War Office.

Mr Williams when not there, is at his home in Doncaster.

Sir Stafford also has a country address, Frith Hill, near Stroud, Gloucestershire, a small cottage, which he rarely visits now. His flat and cottage are in striking contrast to the 40-roomed home of his boyhood, Parmoor, near Henley-on-Thames, standing in 1,265 acres.

MR GEORGE TOMLINSON, Minister of Education, goes home to a quiet backwater of Victoria, where he has a flat in Park-mansions.

Only one of our Socialist Ministers, MR C. W. KEY, Minister of Works, lives in London's East End.

His home is a flat in Wellington-buildings, Wellington-way, Bow. But his week-ends are spent at his bungalow at Gerrards Cross, Bucks.

HIS SPEECH TO MOTHER

Chief of the United Nations Press Section, Danish Journalist Paul Jørgen Johansen, is going to make a 15 minute-speech to his old mother in Denmark, but he will not be present and will not even know when he makes the speech.

Recently, Johansen was interviewed by the Danish Broadcasting System's Washington correspondent, Nils Grunnet, and the interview was broadcast in Denmark some days ago. Unfortunately Johansen's old mother, who has not seen her son for 12 years, did not hear the broadcast.

The broadcasting system invited her to the studio to hear the recording being played again for her.—Associated Press.

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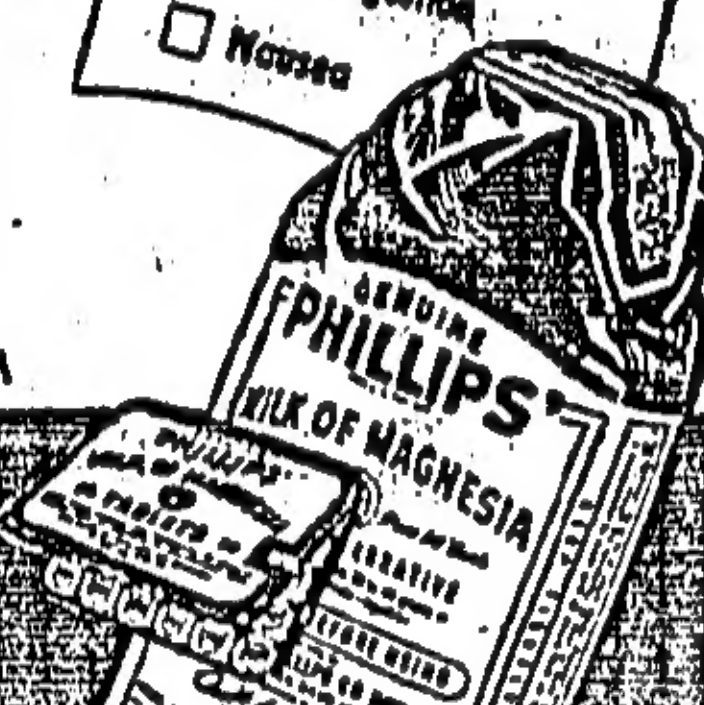
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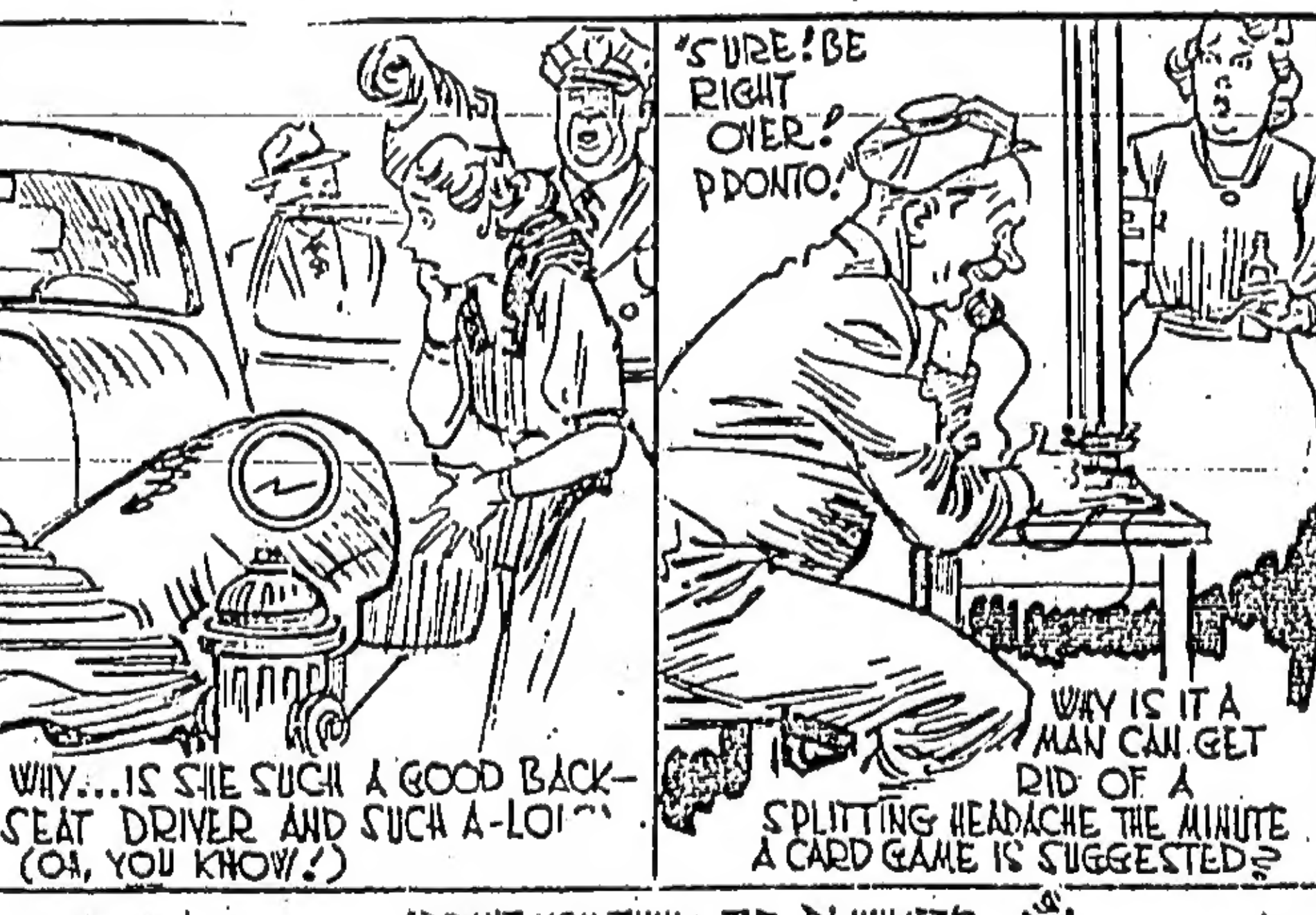


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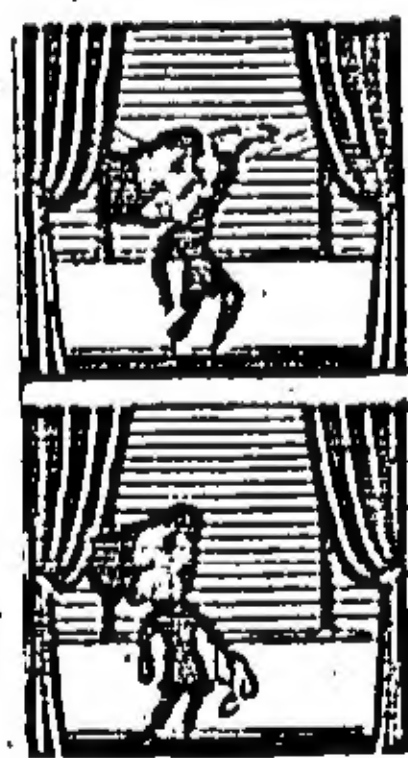
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Basle Exhibition

Invitations, printed in five different languages, have been sent to virtually every country in the world to participate in the second International Fur and Leather Fair in Basle in March 1948.—Associated Press.

CROSSWORD SOLUTION.

Solution of yesterday's puzzle:
Across: 1, All change; 5, Nell Gwyn; 8, Acollan; 11, Trove; 13, Imps; 14, Home; 16, Aspen; 18, Et; 19, Arrange; 21, Time to go; 24, Belabour; 25, Mrs; 26, Bones.
Down: 1, Another; 2, Lear; 3, Clever man; 4, Een; 6, Go; 7, Nap; 9, Lisa; 10, Imp; 12, En; 15, Otter; 17, Neon; 19, All; 20, Noun; 22, Bob; 23, Too.

Atom Bomb May Bring On Cancer

Boston, Nov. 14.—The possibility that a high proportion of the thick leathery scar tissue found on bodies of Japanese burned by the atomic bomb explosions might be a forerunner of cancer was disclosed today by a U.S. Navy expert on the effects of atomic energy.

Captain Shields Warren, Navy consultant in pathology, said these patients showed scar characteristics "akin" to new tissue that might be cancerous. However, he told the 54th annual convention of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, evidence was not available to prove that the scar tissue eventually would result in cancer. Nor is there evidence, he added, that there is any specific relationship between the occurrence of the pink, shiny scars (called keloids) in scar tissue and exposure to atomic bomb explosion.

Capt Warren said keloids also possibly may merely be caused by atomic bombing. Keloid formation is not the general reaction of an individual, Dr. Warren said, "and this is shown by the fact that frequently only a portion of a given scar would show a true keloid."

Capt Warren continued: "The incidence of keloids appears somewhat greater among the Japanese than the Caucasians, although data on this point is not yet available."

Flying Glass Injuries

He said as yet his group, which examined large numbers of persons exposed to radiation in the explosions at Hiroshima and Nagasaki, had encountered no true instance of cancer among patients. In addition to burn scars, he said, keloids had developed as a result of other types of injuries, including those due to flying glass.

"Every bit of the bombed area at Hiroshima and Nagasaki is now safe for habitation and cultivation," he said, because the explosions were bursts and "relatively little fission products remained at the site."

A U.S. Army authority on the same subject, Col. Elbert de Coursey of Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, said sex organs of male bomb victims were virtually destroyed, while those of women "showed minimum changes." Ulcerations and hemorrhages in the throat and intestines often resulted in death.

Outstanding symptoms were nausea and vomiting on the day of bombing, followed by fever, diarrhea and other disturbances.—United Press.

New Records

JOHN McHUGH has produced his best record to date, singing with great tenderness "Weep No More, Liu," and "None Shall Sleep" from Puccini's opera, "Turandot." The Royal Opera House Orchestra, conducted by Lawrence Collingwood, accompany him. (Columbia DB 2328).

The City of Birmingham Orchestra, conducted by George Weldon, fill a gap with their new recording of Bach's "Siciliano, Walse" (Columbia DX 1388).

But the record of the month comes from Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, singing in English "Sweet Bird," by Handel. She is appearing at Covent Garden at the moment, and has the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra as accompaniment, with Nieder Mayr playing flute obligato. The warmth and feeling of the singer make a thrilling record. (Columbia LX 1010).

New recordings by the Ink Spots, who are appearing at the London Casino, have just been released. These polished entertainers sing "When you come to the end of the day" (Brunswick 03808) and "It's a sin to tell a lie" (Brunswick 03653). Joan Sharp's enchanting pipe and tabor record of "Ladies' Pleasure," "Fools Jig" and "Lumps of Plum Pudding" is issued in the HMV New Educational Series and is well worth your attention (HMV B 9577).

And Georges Guey, star of "Bless the Bride," sings "Magdalena" and Vivian Ellis's "I dreamt I was back in Paris" with charm and good taste (Columbia DB 2327).

ROBERT TREDINNICK

ARE YOU SURE? ANSWERS

Questions on Page 9

1. S. to N. 2. Toad. 3. He would have most money in pennies, English billion is a million millions; American and French a thousand millions.
4. (a) Mrs Churchill. (b) Mrs Atlee. 5. Portsmouth, Charlton Athletic, Sunderland, Rangers, Millwall. 6. George Shillbeer, who introduced buses to London, and invented a funeral hearse. 7. All were wholly or partly written in prisons. 8. Slobber. To drive to, to slaver like a child. 9. Gibraltar. 10. High road to England.

Will this end the husband shortage?

MARGARET LANE
ON NEW BOOKS.

ONCE in a way we read a book which changes us, however slightly, for the rest of our lives. Reading Amram Scheinfeld's *Women and Men* (Chatto and Windus, 15s.) has proved, for me, to be such an experience.

Mr Scheinfeld is an American geneticist of distinction who admits that he first set out to study the relationships between men and women, and those social factors, past and present, which have made them what they are; and that his researches carried him to a point far beyond what he had originally intended, and made him write a very different book.

In a word, what so startlingly emerged from the biological and genetic evidence was that women and men differ from one another far, far more than had ever yet been suspected.

Almost from the moment of conception the male and female embryos differ in their glands, their chemical processes, much of their functioning, their rate of development, size, even their resistance to disease and death. The sex difference, in fact, is far deeper and more far-reaching than has ever been suspected.

At a point in our civilisation when men and women have come to seem, in so many ways and for so many purposes, alike, modern science has uncovered the fact that they are more completely dissimilar than any one knew. They are, in this last analysis, irreconcilably different sorts of creatures.

Just an illusion

ONCE this is accepted (as, on the evidence, it must be) one's views on many aspects of sex difference are bound to change.

We in our generation have largely grown up to believe that men and women, educated in the same way, given equal rights and opportunities and often working side by side in the same professions, can successfully disregard the difference of sex, and that in a modern world it is desirable to do so. Mr Scheinfeld's book must

convince anyone that this is an illusion; and in reading it I found my own mind cleared of a number of ill-decisions and suspended judgments.

Co-education, for example, a system almost universal in America and for which I had always thought there was a good case—what folly it now seems! For boys and girls develop at different rates and at different times, so that they are never biologically and chronologically at the same age. Their interests and aptitudes develop spontaneously in different directions, their desires and emotions have singularly little in common. Indeed how could they, when the two sexes are growing up into such totally different creatures?

Chimpanzees, too

IT is amusing to learn that baby chimpanzees under scientific observation exhibit precisely the same sexual differences of temperament and behaviour as human boys and girls.

The boy chimps walk earlier, the girls are more delicate at sitting still and are better behaved. The boys are more aggressive, the girls like to be with people and make good pets. The boys are more adventurous and are always running away, the girls are far more dexterous with their hands, and can easily be taught to thread a needle. The boys are destructive and indifferent to clothes, the girls love bright colours and dressing up, and will spend hours before a mirror.

Fascinating information about the sexes emerges as the author makes his methodical (and extremely lucid and readable) way into the main theme of his subject. For instance, it is apparently now known beyond a doubt that, in spite of men's superior physical strength and women's peculiar disabilities, women, not men, are the biologically sounder of the two, with a greater resistance to disease, physical defect and even death. Most women, in fact, outlive most men, and for good biological reasons.

This is a pity, for there are many more women than men in the world already; and the disparity in numbers is increasing. What is to happen to that great and ever-growing population of women for whom there are no husbands? No one who has been convinced by Mr Scheinfeld's book can believe that the solution is to turn them, by education and

training, into a sort of imitation men; and to let them simply form a pool of cheap labour is to produce an unhappy, frustrated and even socially dangerous situation.

Polygamy next?

MR SCHEINFELD, being a serious scientific thinker, offers no easy remedy. He holds out some hope that in the near future (despite the failure, so far, of the highly publicised acid-alkali technique) parents will have some choice in their children's sex, and so may gradually correct the balance of the sexes.

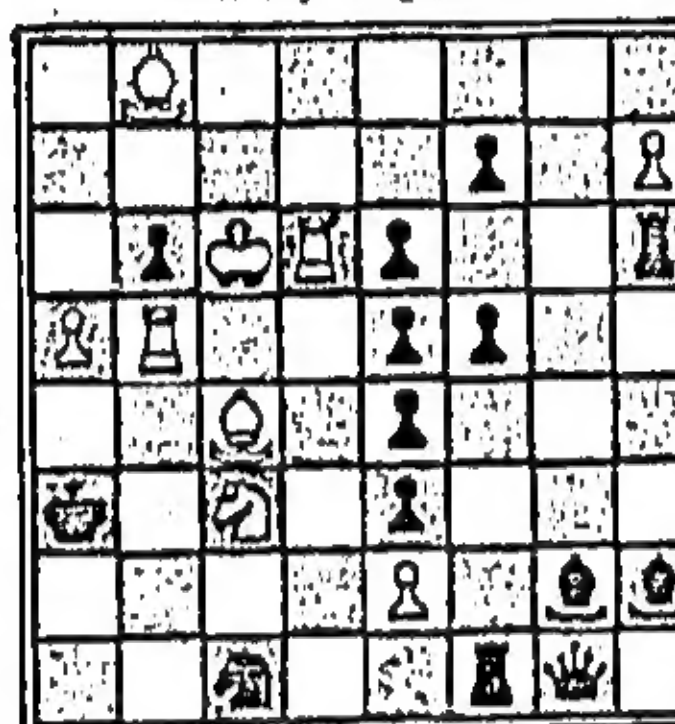
Polygamy as a solution he views with particular horror. I do not know why. In an illegal and unconfessed form it already exists pretty widely both in Britain and in America; the stigma on illegitimacy and unmarried motherhood has quite noticeably faded in the last few years; to make polygamy respectable would not, it seems to me, be so very revolutionary.

However, that is not Mr Scheinfeld's panacea, and I am not sure that it is mine. (What he believes to be important, both to individual happiness and for the welfare of the world, is that the two sexes who inhabit and populate it should understand themselves and one another, and improve their relationship in the light of that understanding.)

Mr Scheinfeld has made a serious contribution towards it without prejudice, without sentimentality, and with a more impressive honesty.

CHESS PROBLEM

By E. HEINONEN
Black, 14 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.
White to play and mate in three.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt-Kt6, any; 2. Q. B (dis. ch.), or Kt mates.



McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

The Fine Art of Not Giving Up

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

TEXAS inaugurated a tournament at Abilene this year, and its popularity and success assure it of becoming an annual event. The open pair championship was won by George F. Heath and L. R. Robertson of Dallas, who were North and South on today's hand. Perhaps you will not like the bidding, but Texas players like to bid—and they are not afraid of their opponents. What I like about this hand is the fact that Heath never gave up.

Heath

♥ AKQ
♥ Q 10 9 5 4 2
♦ 7
♣ K 8

♠ 10 9 5 4
3
♥ 8 3
♦ A 10 9 4
♣ 7 2

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Dealer

♠ J 8 7 2
♥ A 6
♦ K 5 2
♣ 10 9 4

Robertson

♠ 6
♥ K J 7
♦ Q 8 3
♠ A Q J 6 5 3

Tournament—Neither vul.

| South | West | North | East |
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| 1 ♣ | Pass | 1 ♥ | Pass |
| 2 ♥ | Pass | 6 ♣ | Double |

Opening—♠ 2

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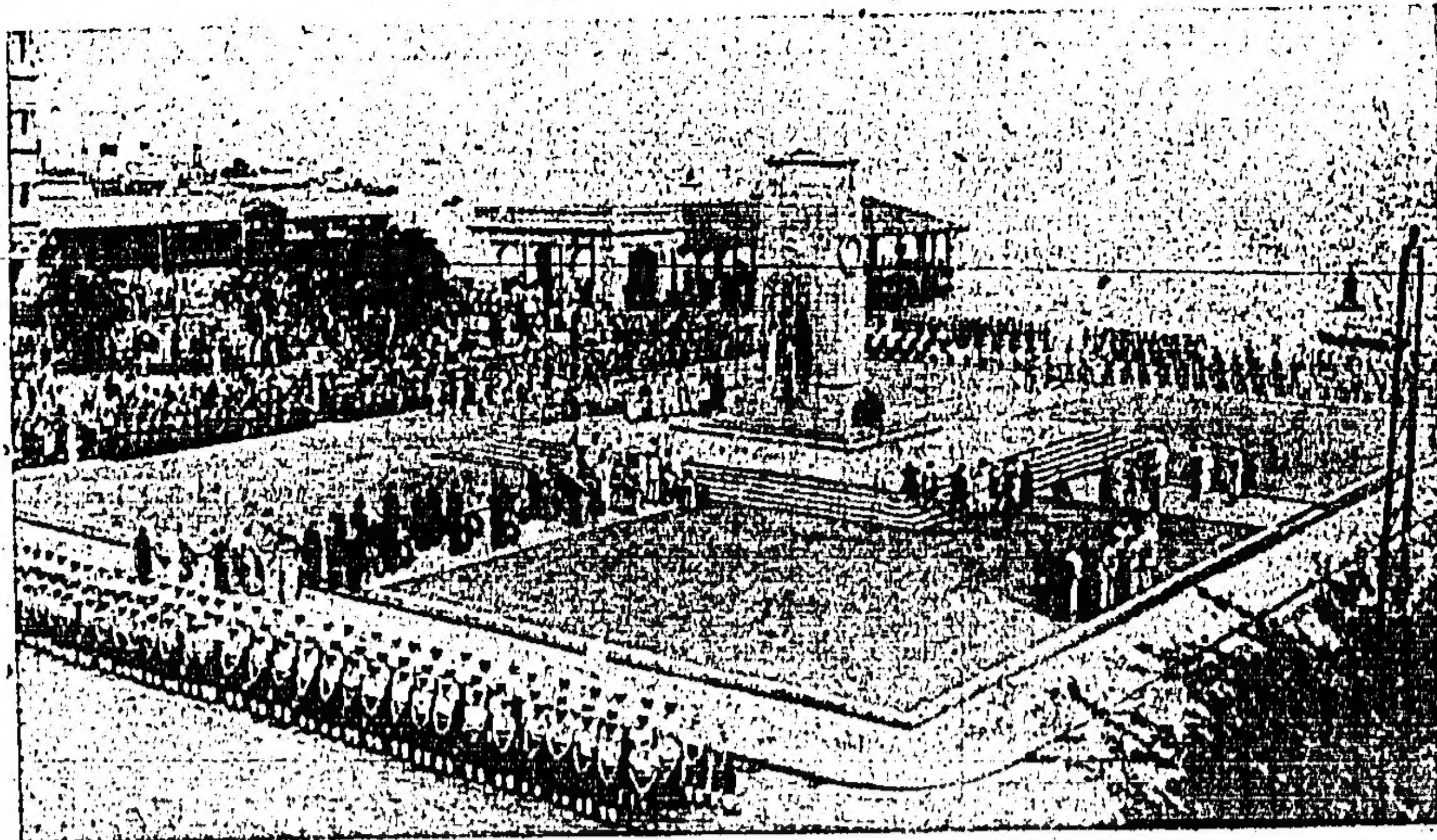
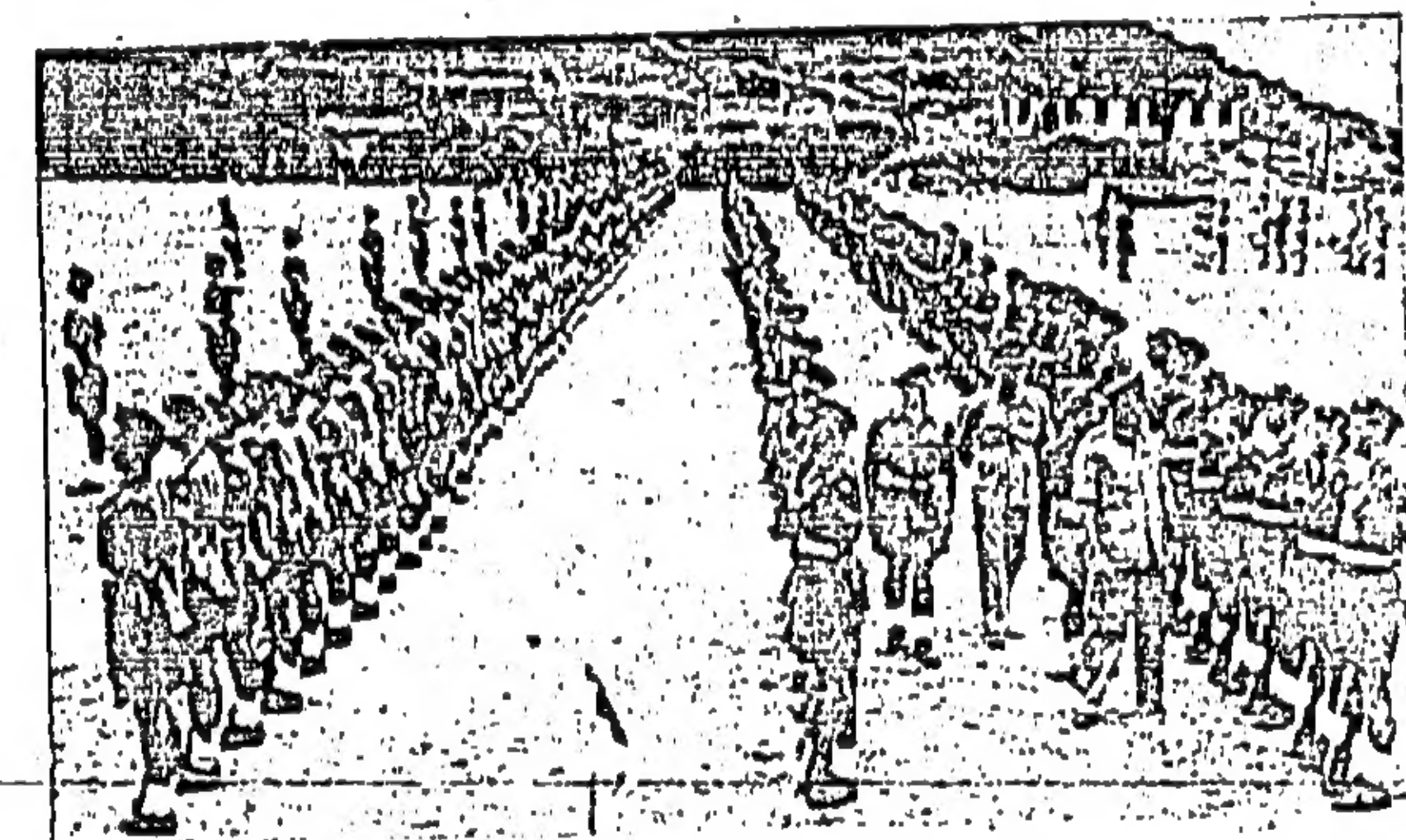
TELEGRAPH WEEK-END PICTORIAL

LEST WE FORGET

HONGKONG paid homage on Remembrance Sunday to the gallant men who fell in the defence of the Colony in 1941 and to the dead of the two World Wars. Right: scene at the Cenotaph, showing the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, laying a wreath of poppies. The service was impressive and deeply moving. Below: Mr V. Garton buying a poppy from Mrs Ray Mabb. (Photos: Ming Yuen)



LT-GEN. SIR NEIL RITCHIE, Commander-in-Chief, Southeast Asia Land Forces, visited Hongkong this week on a routine inspection trip. Above, the C-in-C talking to a member of the 1st Inniskillings, who provided the guard of honour on his arrival. Below, scene at Stanley during the C-in-C's inspection of the 2nd Buffs. (Photos: Ming Yuen)



THE NAMES of 44 members and their wives who died through enemy action or in internment are inscribed on a memorial plaque unveiled on Remembrance Sunday at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club. Picture shows the President, Mr J. G. Meyer, unveiling the tablet. (Photo: Golden Studio)

DISTINGUISHED architect and town planner Sir Patrick Abercrombie (below) is on a month's visit to Hongkong, during which time he will study local problems in relation to a long-term town planning scheme for the Colony. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



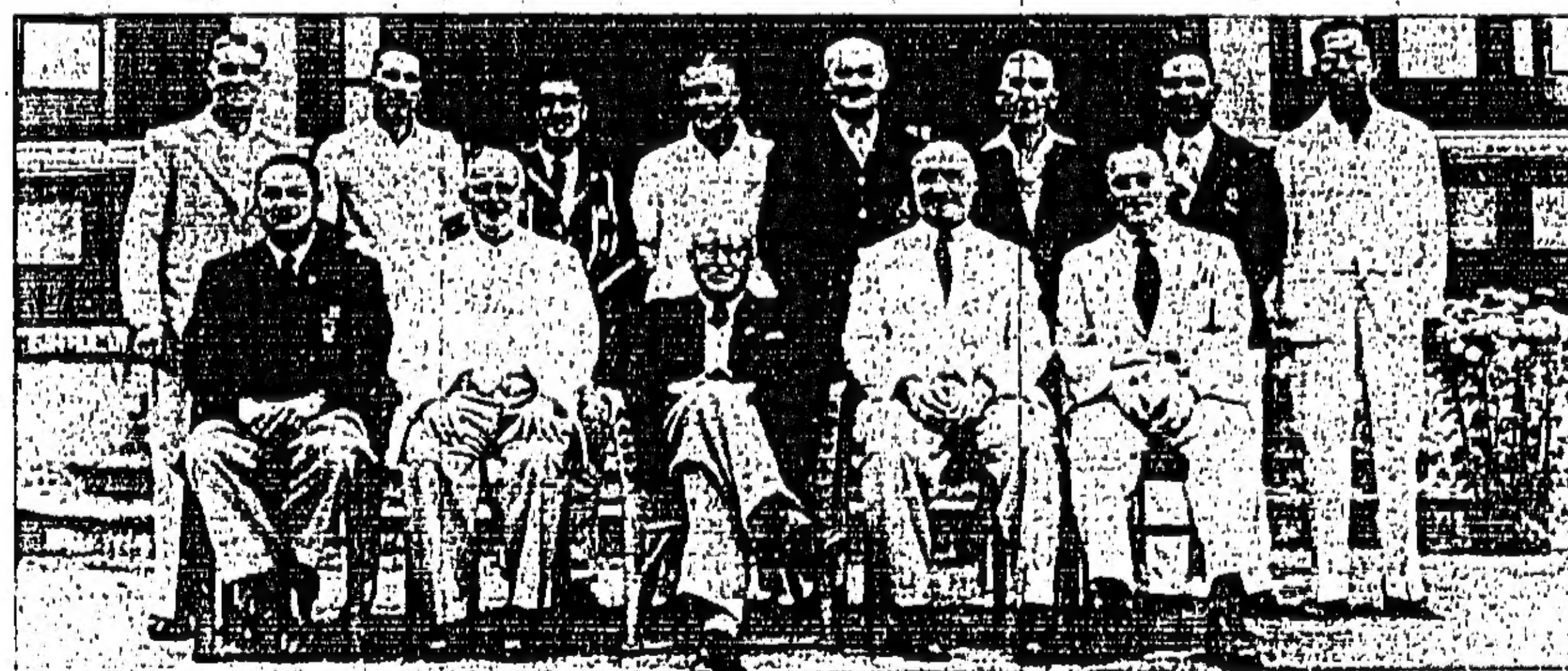
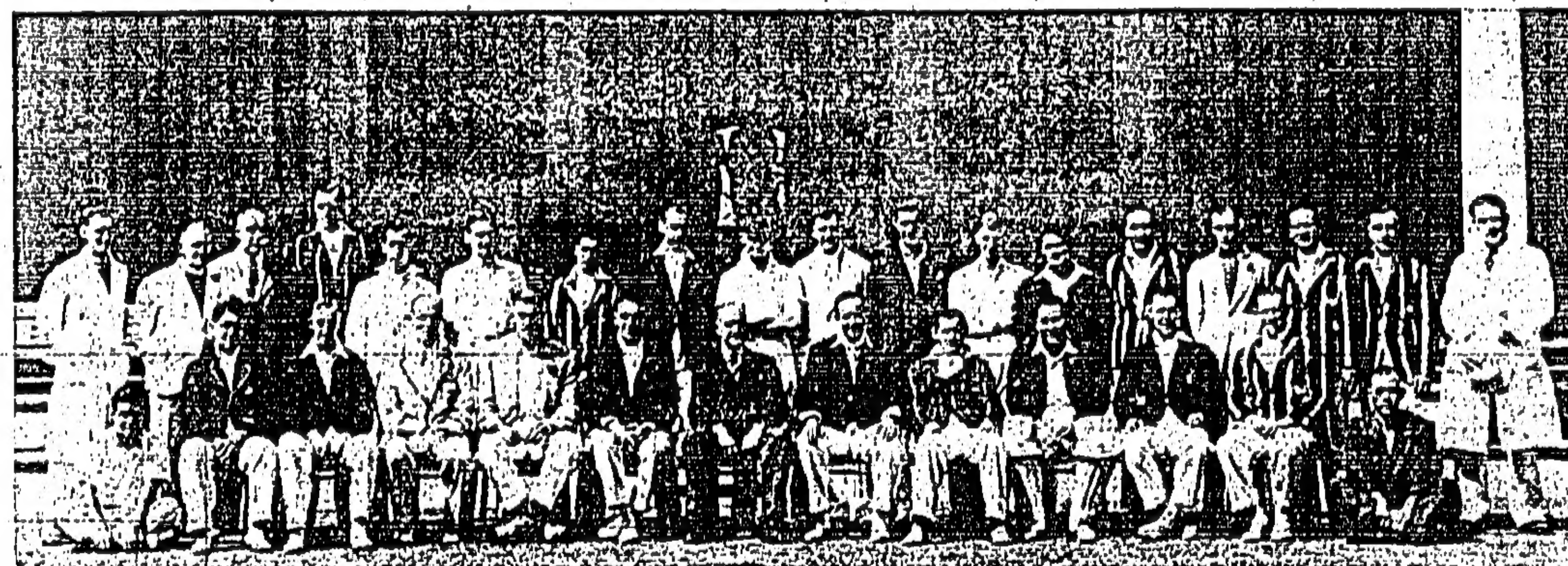
AT ST PAUL'S CHURCH last Saturday, the wedding took place of Dr Wong Wing-chee and Miss Lum Wai-on. (Photo: King's Studio)



KOWLOON WEDDING—Mr Frederico Alberto d'Azevedo of Shanghai and his bride, formerly Miss Maisie Alicia Reis, photographed with their attendants after their wedding last Saturday at the Rosary Church. (Photo: Ming Yuen)

INTERPORT WEEK

THE INTERPORT cricket and bowls series between Hongkong and Shanghai were resumed during the past week. After two days' play, Hongkong won the cricket interport by 165 runs. Right: the two teams photographed together before the start of the match. Below: Hongkong and Shanghai bowlers who took part in the first day's play photographed with officials of the Lawn Bowls Association. The third game, to be played today, will decide the issue. (Photo: Golden Studio)



THE HONGKONG SINGERS, who played such a large part in the musical life of prewar Hongkong, will present their first postwar concert at St John's Cathedral on Tuesday evening, when Elgar's "For the Fallen" and other works will be rendered. Picture above was taken during their rehearsal on Monday. (Photo: Ming Yuen)

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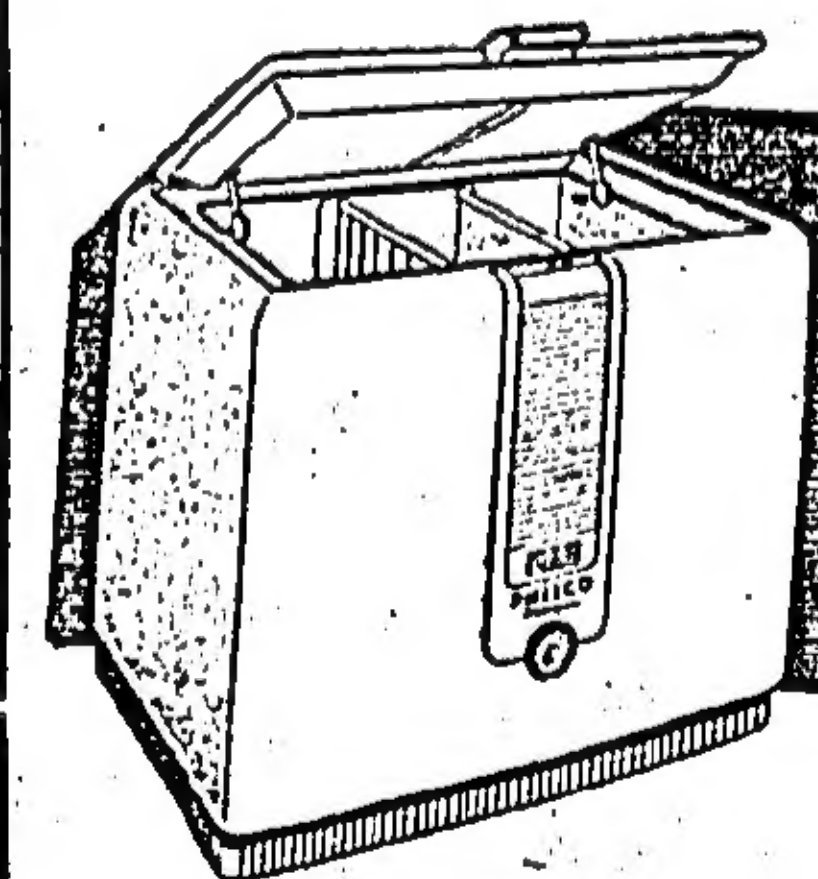


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HIGH PRAISE FOR NEHRU

London, Nov. 14.—Viscount Mountbatten, Governor-General of India, speaking in London today of the disorder which, he said, reigned when Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and his Government took over on the transfer of power, declared: "It was enough to try any new government, but Mr. Nehru and his Government rose above it."

Lord Mountbatten was unveiling a portrait of Mr. Nehru at India House, the headquarters of the High Commissioner in London.

Only three percent of India's 400,000,000 people, said Lord Mountbatten, were involved in the trouble spots, the remaining 97 percent were living in peace and quietness.

"But that is not news, the news is what is going well. News is what is going very badly. How much do you read about those living in peace and happiness and contentment? I ask you to bear that in mind when you think of these two struggling new nations."

Within three weeks of taking office, Lord Mountbatten concluded, Mr. Nehru found himself at the head of a government in a capital city

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Rumours About King Michael

London, Nov. 14.—The Rumanian Embassy today denied press reports that King Michael of Rumania would not return home after next week's royal wedding in London.

"Soon after the wedding, King Michael will go to Switzerland on a short holiday," the spokesman of the Embassy said, adding: "From there he will fly back to Bucharest."

King Michael is piloting his own plane from Paris to London tomorrow. — Reuter.

MOLOTOV AGAIN BEING DIFFICULT

London, Nov. 14.—The Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, has refused to agree to a British proposal designed to prevent a breakdown of the forthcoming Council of Foreign Ministers' meeting, an American spokesman said following a meeting of the Ministers' deputies here today.

The spokesman said the Soviet position apparently was an effort to block the Western powers' attempts to give priority to the Austrian treaty when the Council meets on November 25.

He described the arguments advanced by the Soviet deputy, Mr. A. Smirnov, as "evasive and fruitless."

The proposal was submitted by Mr. Ernest Bevin (Britain) to his three colleagues by wire on November 6.

Mr. Bevin asked Mr. Molotov, Mr. George Marshall (United States) and M. Georges Bidault (France) to agree that the deputies settle the Big Four agenda with the understanding that when and if the Council reached an impasse on any one item, they would "pass at once to the discussion of the next item on the list."

Mr. Marshall and M. Bidault accepted, but Mr. Smirnov said today that he was instructed to discuss only the "order of agenda items" the American source said.

No Flexible Agenda

The source said that the American deputy, Mr. Robert Murphy, "spent the better part of a two-hour session trying to get a direct reply from Mr. Smirnov" on the question, but without success.

Mr. Smirnov not only refused to agree to the "flexible agenda" proposal, but also stood firm against the demand of the three Western powers that the Austrian treaty should be first on the agenda. He insisted on the Soviet proposal that the Council first take up the highly controversial issue of "procedure for the preparation of the German treaty."

The deputies finally agreed that the Austrian treaty and the question of "economic principles relating to Germany" should be included in the Council agenda, but they did not agree on the order in which they would be listed. — United Press.

Spuds For Britain

Sydney, Nov. 14.—Australia will send experimental shipments of potatoes to Britain by various routes within the next few weeks, the Commonwealth Potato Controller announced today.

The first shipment of 500 crates will leave Fremantle next week. — Associated Press.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-Second Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on Tuesday, the Twenty-Fifth day of November, 1947, at 11 a.m.

By Order of the Board of Directors

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Secretaries.

Philip Mountbatten's Last Bachelor Party

London, Nov. 14.—Thirty of Lieut. Philip Mountbatten's best friends met tonight in an exclusive London club for a party which will be his last fling as a bachelor.

Antique silver and crystal glasses glittered on the linen-covered U-shaped table. It was set in the third floor belfry of the club, which used to be a spiritualist temple. Called "The Belfry," it is in the Embassy studded district of Belgravia.

The party was organised by the young Marquess of Milford Haven, who is to be Philip's best man.

A 19th Century loving cup of 22 carat gold sent by a friend held the liquid for the last toast—Napoleon brandy specially bought in France. — Associated Press.

Reception Of Royalty

London, Nov. 14.—Buckingham Palace and London luxury hotels were today making last-minute preparations for foreign royal guests arriving over the week-end to attend Princess Elizabeth's wedding next Thursday.

The wedding has provided "the first postwar opportunity for a gathering of European royalty."

The 30-year-old Queen Frederikha of Greece, who is expected to arrive on Sunday night, will stay at Buckingham Palace.

King Haakon, of Norway, who lands at Newcastle, will be a Palace guest with King Frederik and Queen Ingrid, of Denmark, who are expected on Sunday.

The 25-year-old King, Michael of Rumania, is expected by air tomorrow from Paris and will stay at Claridges Hotel. His mother, Queen Helen, his aunt, the Duchess of Rosta, and their staff will stay at the same hotel. It is the Rumanian king's first visit to London since 1937, when he accompanied his father, ex-King Carol, on state business.

Ex-King Peter and Queen Alexandra of Yugoslavia are arriving at Claridges over the week-end from Paris.

Diplomatic Representatives

Mr. Georgi Zarubin, Soviet Ambassador in London, and Mrs. Zarubin, will represent the Soviet Union at the royal wedding, the Soviet Embassy in London said today.

Three Dances At KCC

Arrangements have been made for a dance band to attend the Kowloon Cricket Club tonight, after the Interport lawn bowls dinner, tomorrow evening after the cricket match between a Kowloon XI and the Shanghai Interport side, and again on Monday, following the lawn bowls match between Shanghai and the KCC.

Members with friends are cordially invited to attend the clubhouse on these three occasions.

OUTWARD MAILS

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15
Closing Times By Air
Canton, Kowloon and Chungking, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtau and Peking, 3.30 p.m.
Canton (Train) 7 a.m.
Macao, Tainan & Shekki (Sea) 8 a.m.
Amoy (Sea) 10 a.m.
Swatow (Sea) 1 p.m.
Macao, Tainan & Shekki (Sea) 1 p.m.
Canton (Train) 2 p.m.
Bangkok (Sea) 2 p.m.
Straits (Sea) 4 p.m.
Macao, Tainan, Shekki & Hongmoon (Sea) 4 p.m.
Canton (Sea) 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16
Closing Times By Air
Bangkok, Singapore, Batavia, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, 10 a.m.
Canton, Kowloon, Hankow, Nanking, Shanghai, Kuning and Calcutta, 10 a.m.
Amoy and Tainan, 10 a.m.
Closing Times By Sea & Train
Macao, Tainan & Shekki (Sea) 8 a.m.
Macao, Tainan & Shekki (Sea) 10 a.m.
Kongmoon (Sea) 10 a.m.
Canton (Train) 10 a.m.
Shanghai (Sea) 10 a.m.
Bangkok (Sea) 10 a.m.
Straits (Sea) 10 a.m.
Manila, P.I. (Sea) 10 a.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17
Closing Times By Air
Manila, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, 9.30 a.m.
Amoy, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtau and Peking, 3.30 p.m.
Canton, Luchow and Kuning, 3.30 p.m.
Hohow, Swatow & Foochow, 3.30 p.m.
Closing Times By Sea & Train
Canton (Train) 7 a.m.
Macao, Tainan & Shekki (Sea) 8 a.m.
Macao, Tainan & Shekki (Sea) 10 a.m.
Straits, Macassar, Sourabaya & Batavia (Sea) 2 p.m.
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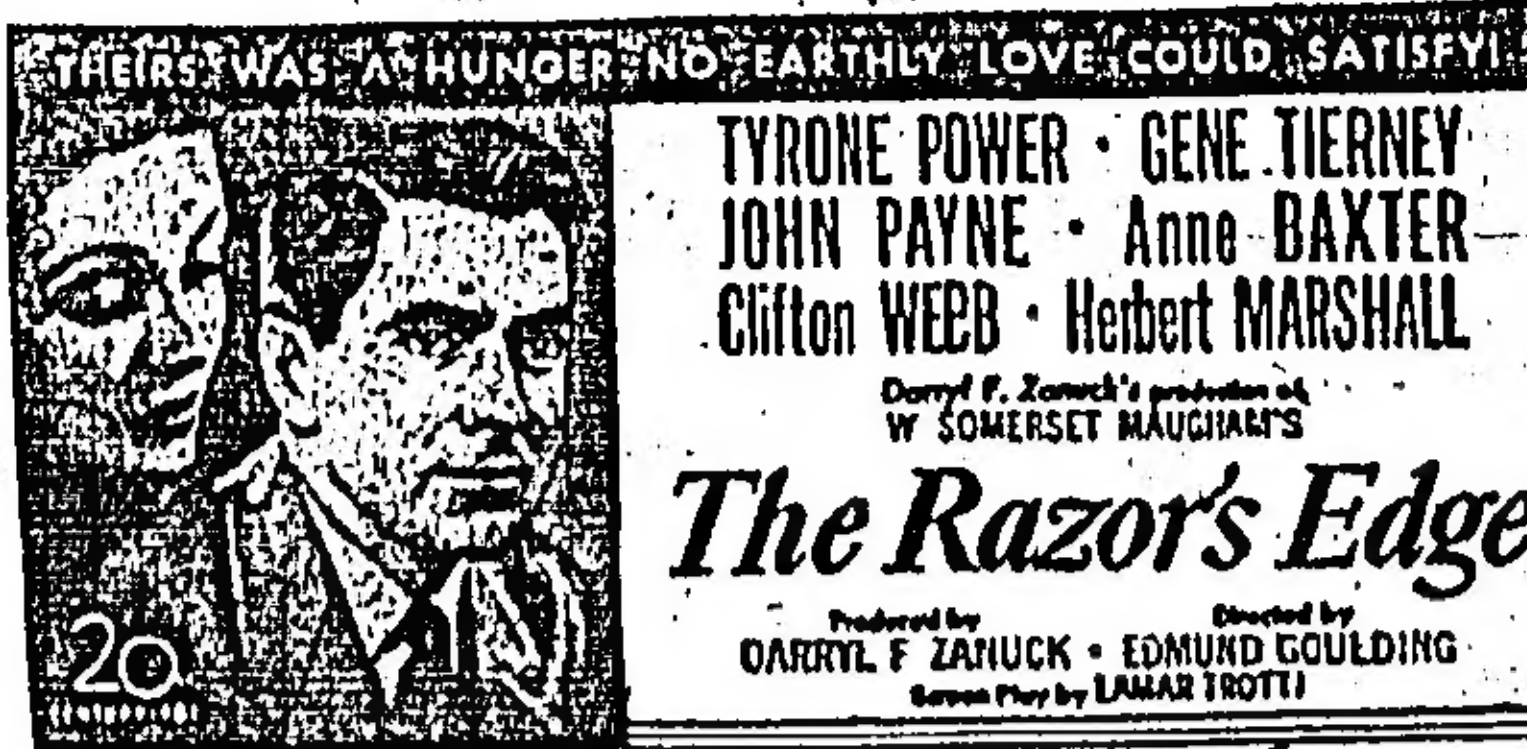
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Sunday 11 a.m. Breaking-of-Bread (for Believers only).
Sunday 8 p.m. Gospel Meeting.
Tuesday 8 p.m. Bible Study.
Thursday 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting.
All English speaking friends are welcome.

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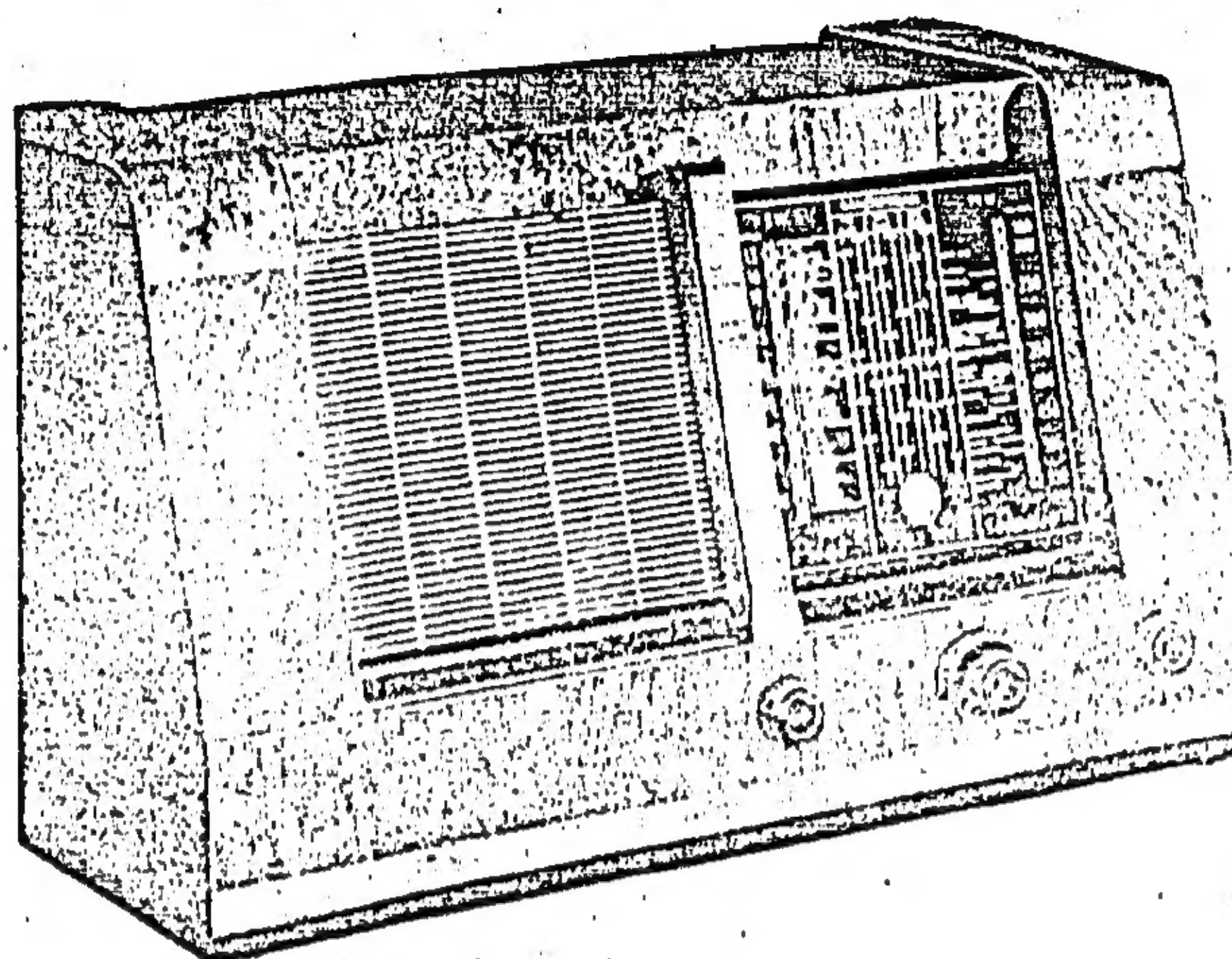
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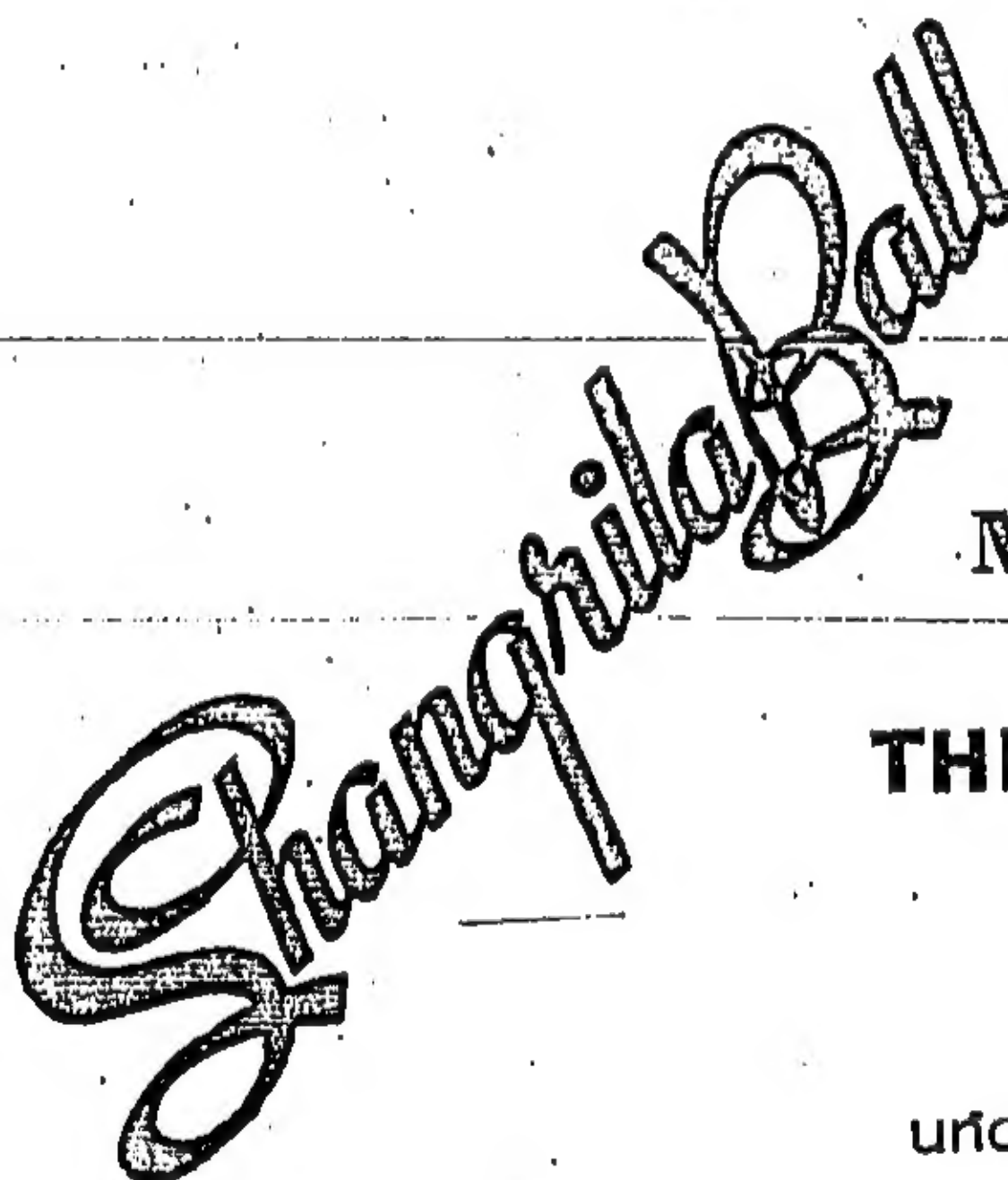
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